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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN working on plans for development of plastics plant, but Chinese no longer interested in joint venture. GREGORY advises RAY ELSON returned \$300 previously borrowed from GREGORY. States ELSON in temperamental mood because of failure of husband JOSEPH to secure employment. Says BROWDER rather cool in his attitude in last telephone contact. GREGORY presently having dispute with REYNOLDS over severance pay, which fact has upset her considerably. GREGORY interviewed by Assistant to AG JAMES McINERNEY. MILDRED PRICE returned from China 11/25/46, presently working for China Aid Council, NYC. ALLAN ROSENBERG while in NYC January 18-19 contacted NATHAN WITT, CP attorney. PETER RHODES working on novel for N. Y. Publishing Co. and is presently in NY for three months. IRMA NELSON, friend of HELEN TENNEY, advised GREGORY that TENNEY is presently in Payne Whitney Clinic, Psychiatric Division, New York Hospital, as a result of nervous breakdown. NELSON has indicated that TENNEY'S chief obsession is Russia and has told NELSON and doctors she is a Russian spy which statement hospital authorities attributed to hallucinations resulting from breakdown and previous secret nature of work with O.S.S. Dr. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN maintains usual Communist contacts. Information on THEODORE BA. GOLD and contacts of other subjects set out.

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Report of Special Agent John T. Milsbos, New York City, dated December 26, 1946

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The following investigation of the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN is reported by Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and covers the period from December 16, 1946 to January 15, 1947:

Confidential Informant NYT-395 has advised that BROTHMAN is continuing his activities in engineering work for the development of plastics. In connection with the development of plastics it will be recalled that BROTHMAN has been working intensively with a Chinese known as Mr. WAN (phonetic) who is believed to be a member of a Chinese purchasing commission presently in the United States attempting to develop industrial projects which are to be operated in the United States for the Chinese. u

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent JOHN T. HILSBOS dated December 26, 1946 at New York, New York wherein reference is made to a conference which BROTHMAN held with one HARRY LEVINE of the Commonwealth Plastics Corporation located at Leominster, Massachusetts, at which conference BROTHMAN told LEVINE that the Chinese were interested in buying half interest in a plant for the manufacture of plastics. In connection with this deal Confidential Informant NYT-395 advised that on December 23, 1946 BROTHMAN held another conference with LEVINE at which time BROTHMAN advised LEVINE that he thought he could interest the Chinese in obtaining a half interest in the plastics plant which they had previously discussed. At this time LEVINE stated that about one million dollars would be needed for the operation of the plant, stating that he felt that the plant should be purchased outright rather than obtaining a lease. In the ensuing discussion LEVINE told BROTHMAN that the Chinese should put up one half million dollars and they, apparently referring to BROTHMAN and LEVINE, would put up the other half. u

This same informant advised that on December 24, 1946 BROTHMAN held another conference with LEVINE, at which time BROTHMAN told LEVINE that the Chinese had decided not to go into the venture which they had previously discussed and which was referred to as a plastics manufacturing plant. BROTHMAN stated that the Chinese decided to go into the plastics business alone and did not desire to go in with anybody else inasmuch as the money that they had for this purpose had come from China for investment in the United States and that the reason they had decided to invest money in a plant in the United States was because of fear of what they thought might happen in China. BROTHMAN did not develop this statement any further and it is not known at this time exactly what he referred to when he mentioned the "fear" of what would happen in China. LEVINE accepted the statement from BROTHMAN and made no comment other than the fact that they would develop their own plant, apparently referring to BROTHMAN and LEVINE, at which time BROTHMAN told LEVINE that he would send OSCAR VAGO, an associate of his, to York, Pennsylvania to inspect

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a plant he referred to as the "East plant". The general facilities of the plant were discussed and both BROTHMAN and LEVINE agreed that the plant would be suitable for the purpose they desired. LEVINE then advised BROTHMAN that he would get in touch with a Doctor BERGMAN (phonetic) regarding the plant in Yori, Pennsylvania.

On December 26, 1946 the aforementioned informant advised that BROTHMAN held a conference with a Doctor BERGMAN's secretary and an appointment was made for BROTHMAN to meet BERGMAN in his suite at the Hotel Salisbury, 123 West 57th Street, New York City. Investigation is being conducted to ascertain the identity and activities of Doctor BERGMAN referred to herein before by both BROTHMAN and LEVINE.

On December 26, 1946 Confidential Informant ~~NY-395~~ advised that MARIAM MOSCOWITZ, secretary to BROTHMAN, held a conference with one GARAVITO to whom she referred as a shipping agent and at which time she advised GARAVITO that the BROTHMAN associates were putting up a plant for a concern in India and that a shipping agent's services were desired by them.

On January 15, 1947 the aforementioned informant advised that BROTHMAN was in contact with one Doctor RUANI (phonetic), 183 Brown Street, Providence 6, Rhode Island. RUANI stated that he had a contact in Switzerland who was anxious to have a business connection with BROTHMAN in the business of plastics and BROTHMAN gave RUANI authority to contact the person in Switzerland on his behalf.

URSULA WASSERMAN

WASSERMAN has been living at 10 Downing Street and was at her own apartment at 110 Christopher Street also.

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X A review of the New York Field Division file reflects that VICTOR KARL HELLER was the subject of a special inquiry for the Office of Emergency Management and a report reflecting the investigation of this inquiry was submitted to the Bureau by Special Agent ROBERT W. McCASLIN dated March 30, 1942 at New York. This report reflects that HELLER was born on January 31, 1873 at Győr, Hungary and that he filed his first citizenship papers to become a United States citizen on December 22, 1941, United States District Court, Brooklyn, New York. The report also reflects that HELLER was employed by Merl, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Beane. There was no derogatory information HELLER's loyalty developed through this investigation.

A further review of the New York Field Division file reflects that on January 26, 1942 HELLER made an application for travel and stated that his Alien Registration No. was 1567096. His address at that time was given as 3545 79th Street, Jackson Heights, Long Island, New York and he stated that he was employed by the National Bureau of Economic Research at 1819 Broadway, New York City. On April 12, 1943 the file reflects that HELLER advised this office that he was employed as a Social Science Analyst in the Office of Strategic Services and that he had been admitted to citizenship of the United States on May 28, 1942, United States District Court, Brooklyn, New York under petition No. 323751 and that his certification of citizenship record in that office is no. 5327057. HELLER gave his permanent residence as 3130 Wisconsin Avenue Northwest, Washington, D.C.

On December 28, 1946 the HELLERS advised that they were planning to leave New York City and return to Washington, D.C. and that they were interested in exchanging an apartment in New York City for one in Washington, D.C.



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A review of the files of the New York Field Division reflect that RICHARD FORD's name appeared in the address book of URSULA WASSERMAN and at that time it was reported that he was connected with the British Information Service.

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A review of the file in the New York Office further indicated that a confidential source advised that WASSEPMAN had the following name and address in her effects: RICHARD FORD, Esquire, UNITRA, European Regional Office, 11 Portland Place, London, England.

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✓ ^{per 1981} Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent JOHN T. HILSBOS dated December 26, 1946 in instant case wherein it is reflected that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Efforts were made by the Washington Field Office to locate the record of ERICA NATONEK at the State Department and at the War Department, however, the Washington Field Division advised by teletype dated January 15, 1947 that there was no record of ERICA NATONEK at either the State or War Department files. b1

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[MRS. RAY ELSON
161 West 16th Street]

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The following investigation was conducted during the last report period by Special Agent James R. Shimmers:

Investigation of the activities of RAY ELSON, principal subject in the instant investigation, since the last report of Special Agent John T. Hilsbos, dated December 26, 1946 at New York has reflected that ELSON has maintained her employment at the NFCL, New York City. Her activities as far as investigation has indicated reflect that she has maintained her usual contacts as set forth in previous reports.

Confidential Informant GREGORY has indicated that ELSON's activities since Christmas have not been unusual. GREGORY stated that on several occasions the opportunity has presented itself where engagements have been carried out with ELSON and from the conversations, it was felt that nothing unusual has been undertaken by ELSON without her knowledge. As previously indicated in the instant investigation, ELSON has confided many of her plans to Confidential Informant GREGORY, particularly on her political aspirations. It was through this source, it will be recalled, that ELSON made known her plans to reactivate herself in the Communist Party of the 10th AD, New York City.

Confidential Informant GREGORY reported as the result of a luncheon engagement with RAY ELSON January 20, 1947, that JOE ELSON, husband of RAY ELSON, has finally completed his art training at the Arts Students League, 57th Street, New York City. JOE ELSON attended this school as a student under the G.I. Bill of Rights and his attendance under this situation, according to GREGORY, has caused a domestic friction in the ELSON household. GREGORY stated that RAY ELSON has been in a temperamental mood because of the failure of JOE ELSON to obtain employment on his own instead of living off the earnings of subject. It is anticipated, according to GREGORY, that upon JOE ELSON's graduation, he will return to business, which prior to his entry into the service, was with an advertising agency at Rockefeller Center.

The following are the results of a mail cover maintained on the residence of the subject at her apartment at 161 West 16th Street:

SENDER

SYLVIA GELUTIN
169 West 81st Street
New York City

DATE

November 4, 1946

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SENDER

~~D. DORKIN~~
137 Witmer
Los Angeles 26, California

~~F. LANGWORTHY~~
12 Gansevoort Street
New York 14, N.Y.

~~National Council of American
Friendship, Inc.~~
114 East 32nd Street
New York 16, N.Y.

D. DORKIN
137 Witmer
Los Angeles 26, California

A.S.I. of N.Y.
215 West 57th Street
New York 19, N. Y.

~~S. DORKIN~~
137 Witmer
Los Angeles 26, California

~~ROSE HACKMAN~~
150 Pine Street
Rockville Centre, L.I.

U. S. Treasury Dept.
341 9th Avenue
New York, N.Y.

STILLMAN
50 West 67th Street
New York 23, N.Y.

~~Civil Rights Congress~~
205 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

DATE

November 11, 1946

November 12, 1946

November 13, 1946

November 18, 1946

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November 21, 1946

November 22, 1946

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December 7, 1946

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~~Allholme Management Corp.~~
61 Broadway
New York 6, N.Y.

December 11, 1946

WITZ
22 East 22nd Street
New York 10, N.Y.

December 18, 1946

Chase Safe Dep. Co.
Wall Street P.O.
New York 5, N.Y.

December 18, 1946

~~B. DABINSKY~~
11 West 8th Street
New York, N.Y.

December 30, 1946

~~City Center of Music Drama, Inc.~~
130 West 56th Street
New York 19, N.Y.

December 30, 1946

Vets. Adm.
346 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

January 2, 1947

B. DABINSKY
11 West 8th Street
New York, N.Y.

January 2, 1947

184 West 4th Street
New York 14, N.Y.

January 11, 1947

575 Avenue of Americas
New York 10, New York

January 11, 1947

A search of the indices of the New York Field Division have reflected the following information pertaining to subjects mentioned above in the mail cover investigation of RAY ELSON: (u)

SILVIA GILBERT, [a.k.a.]
Sylvia Mencher [initials] (u)

In a "Security Matter - C" investigation conducted by Special Agent C. E. Connelly, dated September 11, 1944, it was reflected that SILVIA GILBERT (u)

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was born April 26, 1919 at New York City. Her occupation is that of a stenographer and previously to her present address, resided at 975 East 181st Street, Bronx, New York. She was married to JOSEPH GILUTIN of 967 Tinton Avenue, Bronx, New York, October 15, 1941. Her occupation at the time of her marriage was that of a stenographer. (X)(u)

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A check of the records of the New York City Board of Elections, 400 Broome Street, reflected that in 1940 GILUTIN was registered under the American Labor Party from 975 East 181st Street, Bronx, New York, which is the same election district as the Vyse Avenue address. In 1940 the registration of GILUTIN reflected that she was 21 years old and was employed at the IWO, 80 Fifth Avenue. In 1942 the records reflected a registration under the American Labor Party for one SYLVIA GILUTIN. (X)(u)

[REDACTED] (X) X b1

The instant investigation set out above of SYLVIA MENCHER was instituted May 27, 1944 when it was ascertained that SYLVIA MENCHER was an employee of the International Workers Order. It is believed that this name is the result of the recent reactivation of the subject RAY ELSON into the Communist Party of the 10th Assembly District of New York, which it is also believed, includes the membership of SYLVIA MENCHER in so far as she presently resides at 169 West 81st Street, New York City.

From the mail cover investigation it was ascertained that on November 12, 1946 FRANCES LANGWORTHY, 12 Gansevoort Street, contacted RAY ELSON. (X)(u)

The indices of the New York Field Division reflect that FRANCES LANGWORTHY was a member of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians Organization, which has been described as a Communist front organization. (X)(u)

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Investigation at the above address concerning FRANCES LANGFORTHY has met with negative results. It is also believed that this individual could be a member of the 7th Assembly District, which includes subject RAY ELSON. (X) (u)

The mail cover also reflected that on December 30, 1946 and January 2, 1947, ELSON received mail from B. DABINSKY, 11 West 8th Street, New York City. (X) (u)

The indices of the New York Field Office reflected that the party is ~~BEVERLEY DABINSKY~~ residing at 11 West 8th Street, who is the wife of SOL DABINSKY and the sister of ~~RONNIE THALER~~, also of this address. [REDACTED] b7D

BEVERLEY DABINSKY, described as being thirty years of age, was employed by the International Project Corporation, 295 West 11th Street, New York City. It has been noted that she has received literature from the Russian War Relief and is a regular subscriber to the "New Masses" magazine. RONNIE THALER, sister of BEVERLEY, operates the Ron-Nelle Novelty Store at 19 Greenwich Street, in Greenwich Village, and was a volunteer canvasser in 1944 during the election campaign of VITO MARCANTONIO. SOL DABINSKY, husband of BEVERLEY, is forty years of age, was born in Poland, and at the last inquiry, was a waiter at the Radio City Bar and Grill. He is a naturalized United States citizen, being admitted in 1926 in the Southern District of New York. (X) (u)

It was noted from the above mail cover list that on January 11, 1947, ELSON received mail from 575 Avenue of Americas, New York City. This is the Jefferson School of Social Science, which is known as being a Communist dominated school. Also on this date it was noted that ELSON received mail from 184 West 4th Street. This is a large apartment house, and it was not possible to ascertain the source of this letter. (X) (u)

On December 7, 1946 mail was directed to ELSON from a party named STILLMAN, 50 West 67th Street. The superintendent of this building at 50 West 67th Street, Mr. HOYT HARRIS, stated that this party is identical with a MISCHA STILLMAN, who resides in the apartment house with his wife. STILLMAN, according to HARRIS, was an ex-G.I. who during the war married his present wife and since his release from the Army has been attending, he believes, the New York University. He has been attending NYU under the C.I. Bill of Rights. (X) (u)

HARRIS could not afford any information pertaining to the background of STILLMAN, as to his previous addresses, or his present political inclinations. (X)

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He pointed out, however, that practically all of the residents at the above apartment house, at 50 West 67th Street, are musicians employed in midtown New York in various fields. He believes that STILLMAN's wife attends the Juilliard School of Music and HARRIS said that on many occasions he has seen STILLMAN leaving this residence with a violin under his arm. (S) (u)

It was noted that on November 22, 1946 ELSON received mail from ROSE HACHMAN, 150 Pine Street, Rockville Centre, Long Island. It may be recalled that ELSON has been in contact with this family on previous dates, and investigation concerning their background is set out in previous investigations. (S) (u)

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RAY ELSON
161 W. 16th Street
New York, New York

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BELLA DOREN
212 W. 72nd Street
New York, New York

(S)(u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. MORRIS BEST. The period is January 13, 1947.

The report of Special Agent EDWARD W. DOWLEY, dated March 22, 1946, at New York, reflects that a person believed to be Mrs. BELLA DOREN, 212 W. 72nd Street, was in contact with RAY ELSON on January 30, 1946. BELLA DOREN presently resides at 212 W. 72nd Street. Investigation conducted previously has been reported regarding this individual. (S)(u)

The following persons at 212 W. 72nd Street were contacted and interviewed, negatively: Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH WILLIAM, residents for the past six years, and ELSA SCHOSTAL, Proprietor of a dressing shop at this address. Inquiry was made in the Good Earth Restaurant, which is also located at this address. The inquiry at the restaurant was negative. (S)(u)

It has been previously reported that an individual by the name of BELLA DOREN resided with DOREN at 212 W. 72nd Street. On January 13th, it was noticed that the name CRAIG had been scratched out with a pencil and that the name of SEER had been added. (S)(u)

To date it has not been established whether DOREN had an account at the Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank, though she furnished this bank as a reference to Confidential Informant [REDACTED]. According to Mr. EDWARD HAEIG, it was impossible to ascertain an account relative to an individual unless the birthdate and parents' names are known. It is believed that this information is in the possession of the Mills Reporting Agency where DOREN formerly worked; but it is not deemed advisable to contact this organization. (S)(u)

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RAY ELSON
161 West 16th Street
New York City

JACKSON P. POLLOCK
46 East 8th Street
New York City

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. Morris Best: (S) (u)

The report of Special Agent John T. Hilsbos, dated November 21, 1946, at New York City, reflects that the name of ALMA and JACK POLLOCK (phonetic) was mentioned in a conversation between RAY ELSON and a person named MIRIAM. It is believed that the person called MIRIAM is MIRIAM SEHRSTOCK. Investigation previously reported disclosed that JACKSON POLLOCK and his sister-in-law, ALMA POLLOCK, also known as Mrs. M. JAY POLLOCK, resided at 46 East 8th Street, New York, New York, which is within close proximity to MIRIAM SEHRSTOCK. RAY ELSON indicated in the conversation with MIRIAM that ALMA and JACK POLLOCK lived in the neighborhood near MIRIAM. (S) (u)

The telephone directory for New York City reflects that Mrs. M. J. POLLOCK, 46 East 8th Street, is a subscriber to telephone number GRamercy 5-6735.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that GRamercy 5-6735 was connected at the residence of Mrs. M. JAY POLLOCK, 46 East 8th Street, on January 29, 1946. This party, according to Confidential Informant [REDACTED] had previous service number Flushing 3-1204 for a period of nine months. However, the year in which this service was furnished is not known. Information was furnished by the subscriber that she was employed as a printer by NEO GROVURE, 601 West 26th Street, New York, New York, CHickering 4-7550. u

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NOEL T. WITZ
22 East 22nd Street
New York City

RAY ELSON
161 West 16th Street
New York City

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. Morris Best: (X)

It will be recalled that the name of NOEL T. WITZ, 22 East 22nd Street, was found in the address book of RAY ELSON, a subject of the instant case. The telephone number MONument 2-3458 was found listed alongside WITZ's name. This number, as previously reported, is presently assigned to MARY L. SHAPIRO, 415 Central Park West, New York City. It has been listed to SHAPIRO since October 14, 1943. (X) (u)

The possibility exists that Mrs. WITZ moved to 415 Central Park West after the WITZES gave up their apartment on June 30, 1943, just prior to NOEL'S induction into the United States Army. (X)

At 415 Central Park West FRANK MULL, superintendent since February of 1944, advised that he did not know a person by the name of WITZ but did state that MARY L. SHAPIRO, a retired school teacher, presently resided at that address. He also advised that Mrs. SHAPIRO almost all of the time had a roomer or roomers in her apartment. He stated that he would inquire of the night doorman who has been at the apartment building for the past twenty years to see if a party by the name of WITZ had ever resided in the apartment leased by Mrs. SHAPIRO. (X)

Mr. MULL was subsequently telephonically contacted at Academy 2-4560 and he advised that inquiry had been made of MARK, the night doorman, regarding Mrs. WITZ. According to Mr. MULL, MARK was unable to furnish any information. However, MARK did advise Mr. MULL that there is usually someone in the SHAPIRO apartment in addition to Mrs. SHAPIRO. He did not know whether these persons were paying guests or not. (X)

At 22 East 22nd Street, New York City, the present address of NOEL and MARCELS WITZ, NATHAN SHAPIRO, the superintendent, advised that Mrs. WITZ moved into the apartment building prior to his arrival approximately three years ago. He stated that at the time NOEL WITZ was in the Army and (X)

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a party by the name of NADINE ~~SHERMAN~~ occupied the apartment with FRANCES WITZ. (X)

It will be recalled that on a previous occasion it was reported that the name of ~~STANDER~~ also appeared on the WITZ mail box at 22 East 22nd Street. It is also pointed out that ~~STANDER~~ is the maiden name of FRANCES WITZ. (X)

Mr. SAWITS stated that FRANCES ~~STANDER~~ WITZ is a sister to LIONEL E. ~~STANDER~~, the movie comedian. (X)

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Re: MAYNARD GERTLER

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Division dated November 19, 1946 wherein the New York Field Division was requested to furnish available information concerning ~~TOMAI ISOMATSU~~ who is a contact of GERTLER.

A check of the indices of the New York Field Division reveals a closed investigation concerning ~~ATSUKI JUN IWAMATSU~~, was ~~ATSUSHI JUN IWAMATSU~~ ~~ATSUSHI JUNIWATSU~~ ~~JUN IWAMATSU~~, ~~TARO JASHIMA~~, who is the husband of ~~TOMOBIWATSU~~. It is believed that this individual is possibly identical with ~~TOMAI ISOMATSU~~.

This investigation revealed that in 1939 the Westfield, New Jersey Police Department investigated subject and his wife due to the fact that they lived in close proximity to a defense plant. This investigation was closed after it was ascertained that a number of sketches found in subject's room with Japanese characters thereon were found to be harmless by the FBI Laboratory; however, on April 21, 1942 in an alien enemy hearing on one ~~YUGI KAWAMATO~~, a Japanese alien, it was ascertained that this alien resided at ~~IWAMATSU'S~~ home at 303 East 22nd Street, New York City.

KAWAMATO stated at this time that he had become acquainted with IWAMATSU while KAWAMATO was employed at the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D. C. He revealed that IWAMATSU visited him at the Embassy in Washington, D. C. on several occasions.

As a result of this hearing investigation was reopened concerning IWAMATSU and it was ascertained that he and his wife entered the United States from Japan in April, 1939. Since November, 1941 he resided in New York City studying art and painting there. Investigation revealed that his instructors and associates felt that subject was ^{not} in sympathy with the Japanese. A search of his premises revealed no contraband.

It was ascertained that he held \$300 in national defense bonds and was actively engaged in the Japanese-American Committee for Democracy which committee, according to subject, was engaged in spreading anti-Japanese propaganda. Numerous cartoons and sketches drawn by him had been submitted to the Office of the Coordinator of Information for use as propaganda against Japan. No evidence of un-American activity was disclosed concerning subject and this case was closed on the authority of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York.

Investigation in this case was again reopened due to the fact that it was ascertained that ~~IWAMATSU~~ had received \$100 on November 13, 1940 from the account of the Japanese Institute at the Chase National Bank, New York City.

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Upon interview the subject claimed that the \$100 was received for making wood cut used by the Japanese Institute in the preparation of an invitation to the annual Doll Carnival. He also received about \$125 for drawing several cartoons for the "Japanese American Review" and had been imprisoned in Japan for cartoons he drew while residing there criticizing the Japanese Government. The subject stated that while in New York he has been depending on Japanese friends of their organization for his support. He also revealed at this time that he has recently published a book called "THE NEW SUN" which book ridiculed the Japanese Government.

Informants contacted at this time advised subject was never in favor of the present Japanese regime and would do nothing to advance its cause in the United States.

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At the time of the closing of this investigation the book written by the subject under his pen name of ~~YARO~~ YASHIMA was sent to the Bureau for examination under cover letter. Upon review it was ascertained that the book is a very brief autobiography by IWAMATSU dealing with his arrest as a political artist and subsequent imprisonment. His offense was not described but he was apparently committed as a Communist.

According to the Bureau, the book is of value only as a description of Japanese prison methods. Herein he goes into detailed description of the different specific treatments endured by prisoners in Japan.

The Bureau concluded that the book had little value for intelligence and did not show the existence of an organized underground movement in Japan.

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It was ascertained by observation that the IWAMATSUS are still residing at 140 East 27th Street, New York City.

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HARRY TATSUMI OSHIMA
418 West 118th Street
New York City

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. Morris Best. The period of this investigation is December 20, 23, 26 and 31, 1946, and January 2, 1947.

The Washington Field Division by letter requested an investigation to ascertain the identity of and furnish all available background information on an individual known as H. OSHIMA, 615 West 113th Street, apartment 813, New York, New York. His previous addresses reflected in this letter are 814 West 118th Street, apartment 31, and 500 Riverside Drive, both addresses in New York City. This letter also indicated that OSHIMA had received an M.A. or Ph. D. degree from Columbia University in 1943 and, furthermore, that he is an associate of MAYNARD GERTLER.

At the Office of Admissions, Columbia University, 116th Street and Broadway, the file relative to HARRY OSHIMA reflected that he, in a letter dated October 16, 1940, requested admission to the university as a graduate student "under the faculties political science, philosophy and pure science for the spring session." This letter indicated his address to be 144 N. Beretonia Street, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

In his application for admission filed with Columbia University on January 10, 1941, OSHIMA indicated his residence as set out above and that he would be a candidate for a Ph. D. degree in economics. His education in this application is listed as follows:

Secondary Schools: Mid-Pacific Institute
 Honolulu, T. H.,
 September, 1932 to June, 1935

McKinley High School
 Honolulu, T. H.
 September, 1935, to June, 1936

University of Hawaii
 Honolulu, T. H.
 September, 1936 to June, 1940

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Graduate School: University of Hawaii
Honolulu, T. H.
September, 1940, to November
of the same year, when he
withdrew.

There is an indication by OSHIMA that he received an A.B. with honors in economics from the University of Hawaii. There is a notation made on his application for admission that this A. B. degree with honors was verified by the officials of Columbia University.

He registered with Columbia University for the spring session of 1941.

At the Graduate Faculty, Columbia University, Registrar's Office, the following information was obtained from the records:

He attended the spring, winter and summer sessions from 1941 through 1946, with the exception of the spring and winter sessions of 1946. It was ascertained that OSHIMA has done all the work required for a master's degree with the exception of submitting a thesis. He is not enrolled in the University at the present time. He has expressed his desire to obtain a Ph. D. from Columbia University. He does not have either a master's or a Ph. D. degree from Columbia University.

The Registrar's Office reflects his address as of July, 1946, as 1450 Alencastre Street, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. His full name is indicated as HARRY TATSUMI OSHIMA. His mother is listed as Mrs. WAKANO OSHIMA, 1450 Alencastre Street, Honolulu. His birth day is reflected as October 4, 1917, at Honolulu. He lists a brother, THOMAS OSHIMA, whose residence is 500 Riverside Drive.

At the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, 500 Riverside Drive, Mr. JOHN R. MOTT, director of the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, advised that HARRY T. OSHIMA moved into the house on January 29, 1941, and remained there until September 4, 1941. He reentered the house on July 1, 1942, and remained there until October 2, 1943.

The application card filed by OSHIMA at the time he moved into the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE in January of 1941 reflects a change of address to 418 West 118th Street, apartment No. 31.

Another application card filed by OSHIMA with the INTERNATIONAL

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HOUSE reflects the same address but in addition lists a telephone number, which is UNIVERSITY 4-2570.


The application card filed by OSHIMA on September 19, 1942, reflected that he had visited Japan for a period of two years. However, his first application card filed on February 28, 1941, reflects that he visited Japan for a period of one year.

As for extracurricular activities indicated on his application cards, he listed debate and forensic. There is indication that he resided at the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE from September 24, 1943, to February 4 of the following year. However, there is no indication when he moved out or when he moved in. This application card indicates that he was doing research work with the NEER (National Board of Economic Research).

OSHIMA listed his nearest relative as MASAO OSHIMA, room 307, INTERNATIONAL HOUSE. This is OSHIMA'S brother, whose full name is THOMAS MASAO OSHIMA.

The folder at the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE pertaining to HARRY OSHIMA reflects that RALPH G. COLE, general secretary of the YMCA, Post Office Box 459, Honolulu, gave OSHIMA a letter of introduction dated January 15, 1941. This letter of introduction was to Mr. EDGAR SNOW. The body of this letter indicated that OSHIMA would travel in the same boat to the United States with Mr. SNOW. The letter also indicated that SNOW had lived at the Young Hotel in Honolulu and that while residing there Mr. COLE had written him a note concerning HARRY T. OSHIMA.

The file also contained a letter of an individual who signed his name as PAUL K. TAMURA, Pastor, Wai'alua Church, 381 Wai'alae Avenue, Honolulu. This was a letter of introduction to the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE. It was dated January 17, 1941, and indicated that HARRY T. OSHIMA is a close personal friend of Pastor TAMURA.



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At the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, 500 Riverside Drive, the following information was obtained regarding MAYNARD GERTLER:

He resided at the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE from September 27, 1939, to July 24, 1940, and from September 17, 1940, to April 2, 1942. His permanent address was listed as 4865 Victoria Avenue, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. There is a notation on one of GERTLER'S application cards that his address would be care of Reverend JOHN G. GILL, Grafton, Massachusetts. A letter of GERTLER'S to the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE dated August 9, 1940, reflected his address as 253 Humphrey Street, Swampscott, Massachusetts.

One of the addresses of the subject furnished by the Washington Field Division is 815 West 113th Street, apartment No. 81B. At this address the superintendent, THOMAS GORDON, a negro, advised that he did not know an individual by the name of OSHIMA. It was noted that the apartments were not numbered as indicated above. Further investigation will be conducted to verify or ascertain the correct address.

At 418 West 18th Street EDWARD F. DUNNOVAN, superintendent, in which capacity he has worked for the past six months, advised that an individual by the name of OSHIMA, first name not known, resided in apartment 21 with a family by the name of PHILIPP. DUNNOVAN understands that OSHIMA has resided in the apartment building for a number of years. The mail box in the lobby of this apartment building reflects that a person by the name of PHILIPP occupies apartment No. 21. Mr. DUNNOVAN, the superintendent,

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stated that Mr. PHILIPP is married but that his records do not reflect his first name or the first name of his wife. There is no information in DUNNOVAN'S records as to how long B. PHILIPP and wife have resided at 418 West 118th Street.

Mr. DUNNOVAN is of the opinion that Mr. PHILIPP is a professor or is associated with the Art Department of Columbia University.

The information furnished by the Washington Field Division reflects that a previous address of HARRY OSHIMA is 814 West 118th Street, apartment 31. There is no 814 West 118th Street, and it is believed that this is intended as 418 West 118th Street, apartment 31. It will be recalled that OSHIMA furnished information to the INTERNATIONAL HOUSE that his change of address would be 814 West 118th Street, apartment 31.

Mr. DUNNOVAN stated that the OSHIMA he knows and whom he last saw about a month ago resided in apartment 21, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. B. PHILIPP. The occupants of apartment No. 31, with whom OSHIMA does not live, according to DUNNOVAN, are Mr. WALDIMER RUBLEW, his wife and sister. Mr. RUBLEW, according to DUNNOVAN, is an official of the French government.

An alleged employer of HARRY T. OSHIMA is the NATIONAL BOARD OF ECONOMIC RESEARCH, which is presently located at 1819 Broadway, New York, New York. An anonymous telephone inquiry was made of this concern, Columbus 5-6315, and it was ascertained that HARRY T. OSHIMA has not been employed by the concern for the past two years. His present employment is not known to the NATIONAL BOARD OF ECONOMIC RESEARCH.

Inquiry was made at the CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK by Special Employee Investigator Wade Fuller. This report reflected information no later than March 8, 1941. It is not being set forth here as the information in the foregoing portion of this report reflects that contained in the credit report.

The indices of the New York Field Division reflect a memorandum dated July 1, 1943, from Confidential Informant [REDACTED]

The indices also reflect that on July 4, 1942, Mr. EUGENE McCABE, assistant secretary of the Guaranty Trust Company, 140 Broadway,

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New York, New York, telephonically advised that HARRY OSHIMA, age 31, 418 West 118th Street, New York, New York, received a payment for \$5,000.00 through the Bank of Hawaii in Honolulu. According to Mr. McCABE, this payment was ordered by ~~TSURUYE OSHIMA~~, whom HARRY OSHIMA reported to be his sister. It will be recalled that the name TSURUYE OSHIMA is not reflected among the sisters reported by THOMAS MASAO OSHIMA in July of 1944 to the Selective Service Board No. 38.

Mr. McCABE further advised that HARRY OSHIMA carried a Department of Justice identification card No. 26975. Mr. McCABE also indicated that OSHIMA is allegedly in Selective Service classification 1-D. He formerly worked for the OAHU RAILROAD DEPOT in Hawaii. He further stated that OSHIMA maintains an account with the NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK and is of Japanese descent.

The indices of the New York Field Division also reflect that H. ~~T. OSHIMA~~, 418 West 118th Street, apartment 31, New York, New York, received a communication dated February 12, 1942, from a person by the name of TSURUYE OSHIMA, 144 North Berstania, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii. A portion of this communication, which is a Censorship intercept, reflects that the writer, a Japanese girl, writes her brother stating that their friend ~~SHIGEMAGA~~ has offered her shelter in the new beautiful house on Nuuanu above Upper Japanese Language School, that the house has many acres and was purchased from a HAOLE as a bargain. The writer indicates she is sending \$5,000.00 when possible "to prepare for the worst."

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The files of the New York Field Division also reflect that HARRY TATSUMI OSHIMA is a friend of Lt. ANDREW E. ROTH, who is a subject of the closed case entitled "PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, was., et al; ESPIONAGE - X."

The report of Special Agent Logan J. Lane, dated June 13, 1945, at Washington, D. C., in the case entitled "PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, was., et al; ESPIONAGE - X," reflects that OSHIMA was interviewed by Special Agents of the Washington Field Division. The information appearing in this report pertaining to the interview is not being set out.

The report of Special Agent Lane dated at Washington, D. C., June 6, 1945, in the same case reflects among other things that HARRY OSHIMA had sought ROTH'S aid in obtaining a position with the INSTITUTE OF PACIFIC RELATIONS, and that ROTH had declined OSHIMA'S invitation to speak before a Neisi group (Japanese-Americans in New York City). On the same date, which is July 25, 1945, ANDREW ROTH conferred with a ROSE YARDUMAN, of the INSTITUTE OF PACIFIC RELATIONS, about OSHIMA. At this time they discussed the fact that MICHAEL GREENBERG (who is a subject of the instant case) had gotten HARRY OSHIMA to write an article in September, 1942, or around that date. At the time ROTH mentioned that OSHIMA had done a chapter for BRADY'S book and had been a student of BRADY and, furthermore, that he, OSHIMA, had previously worked with MAYNARD GERTLER under BRADY.

The BRADY discussed by ANDREW ROTH and ROSE YARDUMAN is in all probability Dr. ROBERT A. BRADY, professor of economics, University of California, Berkeley, California.

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HARRY TATSUMI OSHIMA

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. MORRIS BEST on January 6 and 14, 1947.

The foregoing investigation regarding HARRY TATSUMI OSHIMA reflects that EDWARD F. DUMNOVAN, Superintendent at 418 W. 118th Street, said that OSHIMA resided in Apartment 21, which is occupied by a Mr. and Mrs. B. PHILIPP. Further investigation conducted at this address reflects that Superintendent DUMNOVAN erred in his allegation inasmuch as the individual residing with B. PHILIPP is named HARRY HARACUCHI. Mrs. PHILIPP was interviewed by the writer and she stated that HARACUCHI, who is a Japanese and elderly, has resided with them for a number of years.

Information furnished by HARRY OSHIMA reflects that at one time he resided at 418 W. 118th Street, Apartment #31. This apartment is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. WALTER RUELEN. Mrs. RUELEN was interviewed by the writer and she stated that Apartment #31 is occupied by her husband, a relative, and herself. It was ascertained from Mrs. RUELEN that she did not know a person by the name of HARRY OSHIMA nor did she know the name of the individuals who occupied Apartment #31 previously.

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In an effort to locate HARRY OSHIMA's present address, an investigation was conducted at 150 Claremont Avenue for the purpose of locating HARRY OSHIMA, who allegedly resided at one time with OSHIMA at 615 W. 113th Street. Inquiry was also made at 510 W. 114th Street, where HARRY OSHIMA allegedly resided at one time while in New York City. Investigation at both of these addresses was negative. *Ryer*

It was telephonically ascertained from an unidentified person at the Japanese American Committee for Democracy, 722 W. 52nd Street, telephone PLaza 8-2080, that HARRY T. OSHIMA is presently in Washington, D. C.; that he is residing there permanently; and is employed as a teacher by the American University, also located in Washington, D. C. This individual further informed that OSHIMA came to New York once every two weeks for the purpose of seeing his girl friend, Miss Mori,

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an employee of the Japanese American News Corporation, 11 W. 14th Street, New York City, New York, telephone CHelsea 3-8728.

No further investigation is being conducted regarding KAREN OSHIMA, unless the office of origin otherwise directs.

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The St. Louis Field Division has been requested to ascertain identifying information from the Army file of Lieutenant HAJ CH'EN. When this request has been complied with, further investigation will be conducted regarding CH'EN.

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Re: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT GREGORY

The following is being dictated by Special Agents THOMAS G. SPENCER and JOSEPH M. KELLY and represents information supplied by Confidential Informant GREGORY from December 18, 1946 to January 20, 1947:

On December 17, 1946 GREGORY advised that she had received that day a telephone call from RAY ELSON and that such conversation was concerned mainly with the affairs of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, it being recalled that ELSON was a former employee of this firm and is familiar with its affairs. Also during this conversation ELSON informed GREGORY that she was now in a position to repay the \$300 loan which had previously been advanced to her by JOHN H. REYNOLDS. She indicated that her husband's veteran's subsistence payments had finally come through and that the loan would be repaid from that source.

GREGORY declared in addition that on that same day she had been telephonically contacted by LEM HARRIS and that he informed her that he had conferred with EARL BROWDER concerning the repayment by JOHN H. REYNOLDS of the sum originally advanced to him by BROWDER and HARRIS to finance the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, namely \$15,000. GREGORY learned in her conversation with HARRIS that BROWDER did not admit having already received \$3,000 of this sum, as previously reported, and told HARRIS that he was desirous of conferring with GREGORY before making any answer to HARRIS' request that the latter receive the money still owing. Apparently nothing pertinent to instant case resulted from the conversation between HARRIS and BROWDER, except that BROWDER obviously was not speaking frankly with HARRIS and apparently is sharing no confidences with him. HARRIS requested GREGORY to telephone BROWDER and discuss the matter with him.

Also on the occasion of this interview, there were exhibited to GREGORY photographs of AUBREY TZERKO and his wife, SAIDA TZERKO, subjects of another investigation in this division, but she was unable to make any identification and could supply no information whatsoever concerning these persons. The names of PETER CAREY, BARBARA PRESTON, and ROY HARRIS were also furnished to GREGORY inasmuch as they are involved in the TZERKO investigation, but she has no knowledge of any of them.

On December 18, 1946 GREGORY telephonically advised that pursuant to HARRIS' request she had telephoned EARL BROWDER at his office, but that

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he had denied having told HARRIS that he wanted to see GREGORY, and after some rather cool conversation, however, remarked that he was available in his office at any time to anyone who desired to see him on business. He was, according to GREGORY, somewhat cagey in his conversation and made no commitments whatsoever as to how he felt the matter of repayment of the above described sum should be handled.

On this same day GREGORY kept a luncheon appointment with RAY ELSON and received from the latter the \$300 previously advanced to her.

The following investigation was conducted pursuant to Bureau letter dated December 11, 1946 in which attention was drawn to the statement of LOUIS F. BUDENZ that he saw GERHART EISLER at the funeral of JACOB M. GOLOS on November 28, 1943. It was requested that Confidential Informant GREGORY be reinterviewed for the purpose of securing all details she recalls concerning GOLOS' funeral.

On December 27, 1946 GREGORY advised that on the night of GOLOS' death, she telephonically contacted LEM HARRIS and apprised him of the news; that he suggested to her that she call GRACE HUTCHINS of the Labor Research Association, 80 East 11th Street, New York City, to secure the name of someone to make funeral arrangements. According to the informant, HUTCHINS told her that she should contact some individual at the IWO office in New York (whose identity GREGORY cannot recall) and request him to make appropriate arrangements. GREGORY did telephone this individual, and he said he would take care of the funeral arrangements, and accordingly did retain the Gramercy Park Memorial Chapel, 152 Second Avenue, New York City. The details of the funeral were handled by this unnamed IWO official and the funeral home, and GREGORY had nothing further to do with arrangements except that subsequently she paid the bill out of funds of World Tourists, Inc.

With further respect to the funeral itself, informant was unable originally to recall the identities of persons attending, but after casually discussing the matter with an employee of her office, ADELAIDE S. CHERNIN, she was able to report that the following persons did in fact attend the funeral services at the Gramercy Park Memorial Chapel on the Sunday following GOLOS' death: WILLIAM E. BROWDER, ALEXANDER TH. GUTTENBERG, V. J. JEROME, A. LANDRY, LOUIS BUDENZ, BERNEY SHUSTER, CHARLES KRUMBEIN, JOSEPH R. BRODSKY, and Mr. and Mrs. VLADIMIR KAZAKEVICH. It is to be noted that various photographs of GERHART EISLER have been exhibited to Informant GREGORY, but she has been unable to effect any identification; accordingly, she has no information reflecting on his alleged attendance at the funeral. In addition to the persons listed above, she declared

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that there were present numerous other IWO personalities whom she did not know individually. The individuals enumerated above are, of course, well known to this office, and reports concerning all of them have been submitted to the Bureau from time to time.

It is also of interest to note that GREGORY declared that shortly after GOLOS' death she telephonically communicated with EARL BROWDER, and, after telling him that GOLOS had died, was instructed by BROWDER to call BUDENZ so that appropriate publicity might be arranged for publication in the Daily Worker. GREGORY did contact BUDENZ, who appeared at her office the following day, and apparently thereafter wrote a news item for the Daily Worker inasmuch as an account of GOLOS' death did appear in that publication.

Likewise on this date there were exhibited to Informant GREGORY photographs of MARTIN POPPER, Executive Secretary of the National Lawyers Guild, and of GERHART EISLER, subject of a separate investigation in this division, and she was unable to effect an identification of either. She commented that the EISLER photograph seemed familiar to her, but that her apparent recognition of it probably was occasioned by the fact that she had seen newspaper photographs of him in connection with recent publicity concerning his case.

On January 6, 1947, pursuant to the request contained in Bureau letter dated December 30, 1946, informant was questioned as to whether she had any objections to being interviewed by a representative of the U. S. Department of Justice. The details of such conference with her re her attitude, together with subsequent events, including the interview with her by Assistant Attorney General JAMES MC INERNEY, are set out in detail in New York letter to the Bureau dated January 9, 1947, and accordingly are not being reported fully in instant report. A copy of such letter was furnished to the Washington Field Division.

In an effort to ascertain the present whereabouts and employment of HELEN TENNEY, as requested by the Washington Field Division, inquiry was made of Informant GREGORY on January 10, 1947 to this end, and later that day she telephonically advised that she had been in touch with IRMA NELSON, whose name had previously been supplied to her by TENNEY as the person who would always know the latter's whereabouts. GREGORY declared that she had learned from NELSON, who is the owner of the SUSAN PALMER Restaurant and Oyster Bar, 4 West 49th Street, New York City, that TENNEY had some months ago suffered a very severe nervous collapse and was presently under a doctor's care "somewhere on Long Island". GREGORY said that she has never met IRMA NELSON and

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has never had occasion to speak to her previously, and for that reason the latter was somewhat reluctant to divulge any information concerning TENNEY. She did not elaborate upon the nature of TENNEY'S condition, except to say that she had been mentally upset, but did volunteer that she was going to visit TENNEY on January 12, 1947 and at that time would ascertain if TENNEY desired to have GREGORY visit her.

On January 14, 1947 GREGORY telephoned IRMA NELSON and the latter invited her to visit her at the restaurant in order that GREGORY might hear the details about TENNEY'S condition. On the occasion of this visit with NELSON, GREGORY learned that TENNEY had been in a highly nervous condition for the past year or so and that after losing her position with the U. S. government and securing a post with Cue Magazine in New York which would require her travelling to Paris, her passport was suddenly revoked and this precipitated a complete breakdown.

During this visit NELSON elaborated upon TENNEY'S background and environment, pointing out that Mrs. TENNEY has been a most unwholesome influence on HELEN and her sister, has always attempted to dominate her completely, and that HELEN has always been of an unsettled state of mind and attempts to surround herself with mystery. NELSON also pointed out that TENNEY had had an unfortunate marriage when she was very young, and that since that time she has had numerous love affairs with some rather odd persons, the cumulative effect of which has not been conducive to a normal life. Among the men with whom TENNEY has had affairs NELSON named EDWARD BARSKY.

Further detailing TENNEY'S history, NELSON said that some months ago TENNEY began to think that people were following her in Washington, that her telephone lines and those of her friends were tapped, and that her friends or anyone who associated with her were under surveillance. She was also uncertain about whether she should marry SCOTT LOCKWOOD, described in previous reports in instant case, and altogether was in a highly nervous state this past summer when she suddenly received notification from the steamship company on which she had secured accommodations that her passport was defective because of some technical reason. Before she had time to attempt to straighten this out she received a letter from the State Department informing her that acting upon the advice of the proper government authority, her passport had been revoked. The result of this notice was a complete breakdown on TENNEY'S part; she became hysterical, screamed about being a Russian spy, and finally took an overdose of phenobarbital. She was found unconscious on the floor of her mother's apartment, was immediately removed to a New York hospital where she was in very serious condition

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for several days and was delirious. This breakdown, which occurred in September, 1946, compelled TENNEY to remain in the hospital for several weeks, but thereafter her mother removed her to the family home on Long Island, but she failed to show any improvement and was again removed to the hospital where she has remained to the present time. GREGORY ascertained that the name of this institution is the PAYNE WHITNEY CLINIC, which is the Psychiatric Division of the New York Hospital, 525 West 68th Street, New York City.

NELSON declared that she first saw TENNEY since the latter's collapse on December 29, 1946 and had also seen her on the following Sunday, mentioning that TENNEY'S condition was such that she could leave the hospital only on Sunday in the care of NELSON and on Wednesday in care of her mother. She pointed out that the hospital authorities were taking every precaution to prevent another suicide attempt by TENNEY and that any person who took her out of the hospital for a few hours had to assume full responsibility for her well being while in such person's custody.

With particular respect to her psychosis, NELSON told GREGORY that TENNEY'S chief obsession seemed to be Russia, and anything connected with it; she pointed out that HELEN went temporarily berserk in the hospital when some other patients asked her to play Russian bank with them and also made a violent scene because she found that some patients were knitting for Russia. She seems to have been greatly upset by the Russian espionage investigation and prosecutions in Canada and continues to tell NELSON and apparently her consulting psychiatrist as well that she was a spy. NELSON said that hospital authorities, as well as herself, felt that HELEN was suffering from a severe case of hallucinations because obviously she was not a Russian spy, and that her condition probably resulted from her having worked for several years in O.S.S. and volunteered the opinion that the extreme secrecy of wartime agencies probably aggravated TENNEY'S troubled mind.

HELEN is also seriously concerned because of the withdrawal of her passport, having told NELSON that "the authorities" must know all about her and probably will be catching up with her almost any time.

The hospital authorities are very anxious to attempt a rehabilitation of TENNEY by getting her out of the hospital in suitable private living quarters away from her mother and situated in a pleasant position which would be entirely different from her wartime work. GREGORY points out that it is natural that both the hospital authorities and NELSON should think that HELEN'S ravings are due to an hallucination because of the fantastic nature of espionage work and that because the doctors do not have full

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knowledge of TENNEY'S activities it is virtually impossible for them to make a correct diagnosis.

NELSON informed GREGORY that she had told TENNEY of her conversation on January 10, 1947 with GREGORY and that TENNEY was very happy to hear that GREGORY had made inquiry about her and is very anxious to have a visit with GREGORY. TENNEY stressed to NELSON, however, that she wanted an opportunity to visit with GREGORY privately and NELSON said that she could excuse herself and allow them to see each other alone. NELSON then said that she was planning to take HELEN out of the hospital on January 19, 1947 for a walk and a trip to the museum and that GREGORY should meet them at Longchamps Restaurant, 79th Street and Madison Avenue, New York City, at 4:30 PM that day. GREGORY declared that she was most reluctant to keep this appointment because of HELEN'S uncertain behavior, especially her previous attempt at suicide, and that she did not favor seeing HELEN under such circumstances, that is, a public place, until more definite information could be learned as to whether HELEN might be expected to behave normally or might become violent and create a scene.

A summary of the above information concerning HELEN TENNEY was furnished to the Bureau and the Washington Field Division by teletype and GREGORY'S reluctance to keep her appointment on January 19, 1947 was pointed out. Bureau teletype dated January 16, 1947 indicated the desirability of GREGORY'S seeing TENNEY at an early opportunity, and accordingly the matter was again discussed with her, but she again expressed extreme reluctance because of the uncertainty of TENNEY'S behavior, and although she said that if Agents instructed her to be at the restaurant at the scheduled time she would carry out their wishes, it was not felt advisable to press her on this point. On January 17, 1947 GREGORY telephonically informed IRMA NELSON that due to serious illness of a member of her family she would be unable to keep the appointment, but that she hoped to see HELEN soon, and NELSON appeared to accept this explanation as genuine.

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With further respect to IRMA NELSON, GREGORY knows only that her married name is PALMER, that she is the owner and operator of the above mentioned restaurant, is Jewish, and in GREGORY'S words, "one of the old gang", meaning that she is a Communist, or at least a Party liner; further that she has known TENNEY for years, having attended various schools with her, and is probably her closest confidante.

Concerning the personal affairs of Confidential Informant GREGORY, it will be recalled that as previously reported JOHN H. REYNOLDS, President of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, agreed shortly before

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Christmas, 1946 that upon the winding up of the company's affairs GREGORY should receive a severance bonus equal to one year's salary, which would amount to approximately \$9,600. On January 14, 1947 she advised that on the previous day she had drawn a check for one-half this amount on the corporation and had deposited it in her own personal account at the Chase National Bank, 5th Avenue Branch. Shortly after so depositing this item, the manager of the bank had visited her and informed her that on January 9, 1947 Mr. REYNOLDS had orally informed the bank that from that date all checks issued on the corporation had to be countersigned by him. It will be noted that according to GREGORY, when the corporation began functioning in April, 1941 the usual resolutions designating a depository for corporate funds and authorized signatories on corporation checks had been prepared and that GREGORY was thereby empowered as an authorized signer. She was extremely upset because of this development, feeling that REYNOLDS was attempting to renege on his promise of a year's severance pay, and when she attempted to contact REYNOLDS ascertained from his wife that he was confined to his bed suffering a nervous collapse.

GREGORY was so disturbed by this development that she declared she would probably be of no further use to the government unless this matter were resolved promptly and to her satisfaction, and accordingly a lengthy conference was had with her the following day, at which she was informally advised that REYNOLDS' attempted oral revocation of the previous Board action concerning checks drawn on the corporation probably was not valid and that as soon as the firm's lawyers were apprised of the situation they would probably so advise him. She was counseled to await developments, and on January 16, 1947 had a long discussion with CHARLES BANNERMAN of the firm of CLARK, CARR, AND ELLIS, the firm attorneys, and he indicated to her that a satisfactory solution could probably be worked out after REYNOLDS recovers. On the occasion of this conference with Mr. BANNERMAN it was agreed that the firm should discontinue business entirely as of February 28, 1947.

At the time of dictation of this report negotiations between Mr. BANNERMAN and GREGORY with respect to this severance pay are continuing, but on January 20, 1947 Mr. BANNERMAN told her that he had conferred with REYNOLDS who denied ever having promised GREGORY the sum she declares due her, and in addition insists that the \$2,000 Christmas bonus she received in 1946 be deducted from any severance bonus. The effect of this situation on GREGORY has been such that she is almost wholly preoccupied by it and this condition is one of the factors which led agents to the opinion that she could not at this time handle herself as well with HELEN TENNEY as she might under more favorable circumstances.

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Re: MAURICE HALPERIN

The following information was obtained from a mail cover placed on HALPERIN's residence at 438 Crown Street, Brooklyn, New York: (S) u

<u>ADDRESSOR</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE</u>
TERRY BORAH	1929 16th Street, North West, Washington, D.C.	November 14, 1946
AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE	521 Fifth Avenue, New York City	November 27, 1946
OPA, New York City Defense - Rental Area, Brooklyn Office	26 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York	December 3, 1946
P. DUNAWAY	Silver Spring, Maryland	December 9, 1946
GRIFFITH CONSUMERS COMPANY	Washington 5, D.C.	December 12, 1946
	220 Standish Drive, Syracuse 3, New York	December 13, 1946
NEWSPAPER GUILD OF NEW YORK	40 East 40th Street, New York City	December 13, 1946
Room 54	289 Fourth Avenue, New York City	December 16, 1946
T. T. LAFFERTY	131 Wateree Avenue, Columbia, South Carolina	December 17, 1946

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Re: JACK ~~MARSALKA~~~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Division dated December 5, 1946 requesting the identity of the occupant of suite 2115, 1270 Avenue of the Americas. The following investigation was covered for the period January 8 and 10, 1947 by Special Agent JAMES E. TIERNEY, JR.:

Through observation it was ascertained that the above-mentioned suite is occupied by the Getek Industrial and Agricultural Supplies Corporation and the Impex Trading Corporation.

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that a corporation known as the Getek Corporation was incorporated on May 19, 1940 with an authorized capital share of 200 shares of common stock, no par value. On October 8, 1942 the corporation name was changed to the Getek Industrial and Agricultural Supplies Corporation. u b2 b7D

A certificate was filed changing the capital stock to 2,000 shares broken up to 1,000 shares preferred stock, par value \$100 each, and 1,000 shares of common stock with no par value.

The following individuals were listed as directors of this corporation:

EUGENE ~~FUBINI~~, President

LAZARE ~~GOUREVICH~~, Treasurer

LEO ~~ELISCHEFF~~, Vice-President

HAMILCAR ~~ALCORSO~~, Vice-President and Secretary

This corporation was chartered as wholesale dry distillers of grain. On July 6, 1944 the Treasurer of the corporation stated that there was \$45,000 worth of preferred stock outstanding and \$5,000 worth of common stock.

FUBINI, the President, was described as 37 years of age, married, a native of Italy who came to the United States in 1939. His occupation was given as radio engineer. He has been an officer of the above corporation since its inception.

ELISCHEFF was described as 72 years old, married, a native of Russia, who came to the United States in 1940. He has been an officer of the above corporation and has no other connections.

GOUREVICH was described as 57 years old, single, a native of Russia who came to the United States in 1941. It was revealed that prior thereto he had resided in Paris, France for eighteen years and was a director of various societies in Paris. He has been an officer since the inception of the corporation.

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ALCORSO is described as 61 years old, married, native of Italy who came to the United States in 1940. It was stated that he is also President of the Textile Overseas Corporation of 1250 Avenue of the Americas since 1941. It was noted that prior to coming to America he ran the Piperno Alcorse Department Store in Rome, Italy. He is also interested in the Silk Textile Company located at Sydney, Australia. He entered this business in January, 1944 taking the place of one GINO FUBINI who retired at this time. It was revealed that the war has increased the volume of the business because the United States Government was incorporating the use of products sold by corporations to farmers, and in face of the difficulty to obtain foods consisting of other grains.

The wholesale dry distillers grain, which is a product of distillation, is utilized as cattle grain. The sales of this corporation have been made to farmers and dealers throughout the United States for cash. As of August 31, 1945 the total assets of this company were given as \$66,519.22.

According to the same informant the Impex Trading Corporation was chartered under the laws of New York in May, 1946. The following were given as officers:

BORIS JAFFE, President

L. GOUREVICH, Vice-President
and Treasurer

They incorporated to engage in the business as importers and exporters of general merchandise. It was revealed that JAFFE is 42 years old, married, and a native of Russia who lived for some time in Poland and for approximately twenty years in Paris. He has been employed by various steamship companies and has made frequent trips to the Orient and the United States on steamship matters. He was formerly owner of the Transmaritime Company, steamship agents located at 50 East 42nd Street, New York City. During the war years, after the dissolution of the Transmaritime Company, JAFFE was employed in the Transit Division of the French Supply Council in both New York and Washington, D. C.

On June 19, 1946, after he had organized the captioned corporation, he made a trip to France where he remained until September, 1946 when he returned to the United States. He stated he has extensive experience in business having several worthwhile contacts in Europe and elsewhere.

Besides being importers and exporters of general merchandise the above corporation is endeavoring to act as representative for several American manufacturers in the import and export market. The income of the above corporation is strictly on a commission basis.

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It was ascertained at the County Clerk's Office, Supreme Court Building, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, that on May 9, 1940 the Getek Corporation was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. Further that on October 8, 1942 a certificate was filed changing the corporate stock and the name of the above corporation. The articles of incorporation revealed that the business of the Getek was to design, manufacture, buy, sell, import and export, etc, all kinds of machinery, engineering and technical devices; to conduct a general merchandising, trading, import and export business, and to deal and trade as a principal agent or broker in goods, wares, and merchandise; to act as an agent, factor, or broker for individuals and for companies, foreign or domestic, including governmental authorization and to aid or assist and to afford facilities for the convenient transaction of business by its principal in all parts of the world; to apply for, purchase, or otherwise acquire any patents, licenses, or concessions conferring any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to use any invention which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the company; to procure the company to be registered and recognized in any foreign country and to designate persons therein, according to the laws of such foreign country, to represent the company and to accept service for and on behalf of the company of any profession. The business at that time was located at 60 East 42nd Street, New York City.

A check of the indices of the New York Field Division against the name EUGENE FUBINI revealed a closed investigation entitled "ALIEN EMPLOYMENT - AIRCRAFT AND MUNITIONS PRODUCTION, SPECIAL INQUIRY, WAR DEPARTMENT", wherein it was stated that FUBINI'S true name is EUGENE FUBINI GHIRON. He was born April 19, 1913 at Turin, Italy, leaving there in September, 1938 for France whereupon in March, 1938 he traveled to the United States.

Through interview it was ascertained he and his family left Italy because they are Jewish and were subjected to persecution. He was employed by the Columbia Broadcasting System since April 26, 1939 at eighty dollars per week in the capacity of Acting Engineer of Short-Wave. His employers advised he was conscientious and patriotic to the Democratic principles of the United States.

It was revealed that his father, a mathematician, has been employed by the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, New Jersey.

No un-American or subversive tendencies were developed in a neighborhood investigation although it was ascertained that a friend of FUBINI'S had been interned as a conscientious objector.

FUBINI made citizenship petition September 14, 1939 in the United States District Court of Trenton, New Jersey. Further investigation at that time revealed that Doctor THOMAS F. POWER, Divisional Assistant, State Depart-


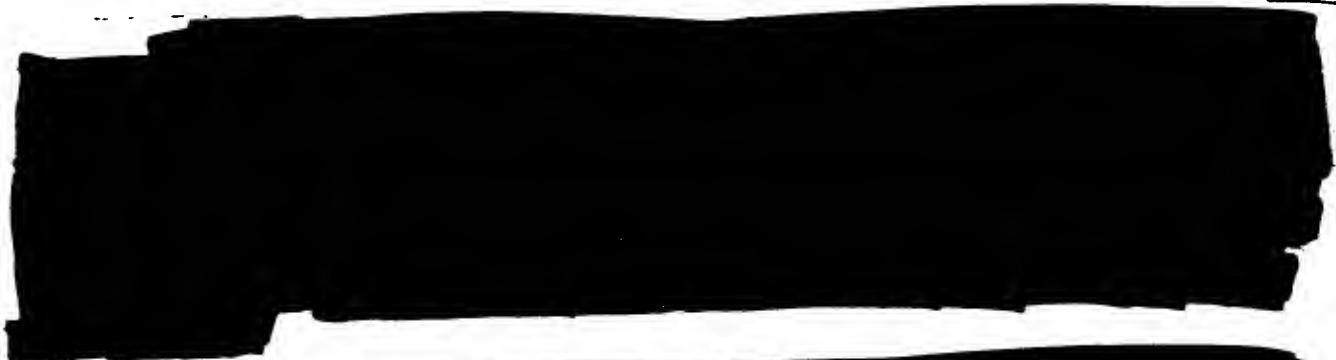
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ment, Room 321, Winder Building, advised that FUBINI was a person of good personal habits, highest integrity, who was opposed to Fascism and a supporter of Democratic principles. POWER described FUBINI as an individual who came from an excellent family and whom he believes is thoroughly loyal.

This investigation further revealed that all individuals contacted advised that FUBINI in their opinion was considered pro-American and anti-Fascist. The only information available in the files of the New York Office concerning HAMILCAR ALCORSO revealed that between the period November 13, 1942 and November 19, 1942 private mail was sent from one ARMANDO RUPERNO via Filangeri, Turin, Italy, to ALCORSO residing at 45 West 81st Street, New York City.

An intermediary was used whose name is ESMERALDA ~~SECRET~~, Calle Malabia 2885, Buenos Aires, Argentina. This piece of mail was intercepted by the office of Censorship concerning arrangements for the use of intermediaries of correspondence between enemy occupied or enemy countries and the United States of America. The indices were checked negatively concerning the names LEO ELISCHEFF and LAZARE GOUREVICH.



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RE: P. BERNARD NORTHMAN

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Inquiry at the Office of Price Administration, 350 Fifth Avenue, through Miss FRANCES BENASSI, clerk, Personnel Records Section, reveals that BENASSI was employed there and resigned his position on February 1, 1946. Miss BENASSI unsuccessfully attempted to locate the file pertaining to BISKIND and advised that the information furnished by her was the only available information at that office.

Mr. JAMES SHEPPARD, Superintendent at the 420 Riverside Drive address, and GEORGE GAILLARD, colored doorman at this address for the past seventeen years, were interviewed and were unable to furnish any information regarding the BISKINDS other than that they knew them as being good tenants and impressed them as being a good American family.

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RE: P. BERNARD NORTMAN

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN A. BRODEUR:


It was determined that the subscriber to telephone number WA 7-6952 is ROBERT H. SOLOF, 567 Fort Washington Avenue, New York City.

Mrs. BEATRICE MELLICK, Clerk, Local Board #67, Selective Service Headquarters, 1 East 44 Street, advised that after a careful search of her records she was unable to locate a file on ROBERT H. SOLOF. Mrs. Mellick also made a check through the files of Local Boards #68 and #69 maintained at this address with negative results.

Mr. FRANK LOUTNER, superintendent at the 567 Fort Washington Avenue address, was interviewed under pretext regarding the subject and advised that the subject has resided at this address with his wife, EDITH NORTMAN SOLOF, for the past four years. He, however, was unable to furnish any information pertaining to SOLOF or his wife other than the fact that SOLOF recently received his discharge from the United States Navy and that he was employed somewhere in New York as an accountant for some government agency.

He stated that the SOLOFS impressed him as being a very nice young couple and good American citizens and during the time that he has been superintendent at this address, which has been for the past four years, he never heard anything derogatory regarding them.

Mr. PATRICK KENNEDY, Apartment 4-C at this address who formerly lived in Apartment 2-D adjoining the SOLOFS, was interviewed and stated that he recalled the SOLOFS as neighbors although he did not know anything derogatory about them. He did not recall at any time making their acquaintance and was consequently not in a position to offer any information.

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A check of the credit records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York and the identification records of the New York City Police Department pertaining to the SOLOFS resulted negatively.

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Inquiry was made at the office of MARK RAFALSKY, 2112 Broadway, New York City, former owner of the 420 Riverside Drive apartment, and also at the office of GILBERT BROTHERS, 44 Court Street, the present managers of this apartment, for the purpose of obtaining additional information pertaining to BISKIND with negative results.

A check of the credit records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York and the Identification Records of the New York City Police Department as to the BISKINDS resulted negatively.

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Re: P. BERNARD NORTMAN

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN A. BRODERICK:

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Investigation at 2250 83rd Street reveals that the LASHERS occupy Apartment 3-D and it was determined from Mrs. SADIE MITLER, superintendent at this address, that the LASHERS have occupied this address for approximately the past five years. Mrs. MITLER also advised that the LASHERS had a daughter named NATALIE LASHER whom she believed married an ex-serviceman named GREENBURG. She was unable to furnish any additional information regarding NATALIE LASHER, nor after checking her records was she able to find any forwarding address for this daughter. She stated that the LASHERS were considered good tenants, quiet, and to her knowledge did not have very much to do with any of the other tenants in the building.

JOHN CAPUTO, clerk, Bath Beach Post Office Station, 1845 Benson Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, examined his records for possible forwarding addresses for NATALIE LASHER and GREENBURG with negative results.

The credit records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York reflected that JACK LASHER was employed as Assistant Manager and Head Waiter

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at Solloway's Restaurant, 433 7th Avenue, New York City, and has been so employed since September, 1942 at a salary of \$50 per week and meals. The credit report does not reflect any additional information of value pertaining to this individual.

A check of the identification records of the New York City Police Department on the LASHERS met with negative results.

It was determined through a pretext telephone call to Robbins and Barber, 270 Madison Avenue, New York City, Telephone Murray Hill 6-0863, Public Relations, that NATALIE LASHER is employed by this firm at that address.

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Re: VICTOR PERLO

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent GERARD B. TRACY and covered the following period; January 8, 13 and 16, 1947.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent JOHN T. HILSBOS, dated December 26, 1946 at New York, New York, which requested that the identity of the occupant of Apartment #2D, 237 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, be ascertained.

Miss JEAN SILVER, Assistant Manager of the Hotel Duane, 237 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, advised that Apartment #2D is occupied by an organization known as the New Council of American Business, and that the man in charge of the office is one J. DEISS who is an associate of one SAM RUBIN, President of Faberge Perfume Company, 240 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. Miss SILVER pointed out that the organization has been at that address since November 15, 1946 and that the office is usually open from 9:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.

A review of the New York indices reflects that the New Council of American Business was established in October, 1945 and that the program features of the organization at that time included:

1. A fight against monopolies
2. Advocated a realistic foreign trade policy
3. Supported a prominent Fair Employment Practices Act
4. Opposed compulsory arbitration in industry.

A list of the officers included SAMUEL RUBIN of New York City, President of Faberge, Incorporated, who was listed as Chairman of the Board. Offices included one in Chicago at 936 North Michigan Boulevard, 1737 H Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., 237 Madison Avenue, Hotel Duane, Apartment #2D, New York, New York. The individuals included in the list of National Officers were one WESLEY SHARER, of Sharer Associates, Chicago, National Secretary, and MANDAL THERMAN of the Terman Tire & Supply Company, Chicago, Vice-President. Both individuals were reported as Communists and active in Communist Party groups.

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RE: ABEL ~~PLENN~~

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Francis J. Gallant:

Reference is made to the request of the Washington Field Division to ascertain all available background information on MAX PFEFFER, 45 West 45th Street, New York City.

The New York Telephone Directory reflected that MAX PFEFFER, 45 West 45th Street, New York City, telephone number BRyant 9-3920 was engaged in the business of a literary agent at this address. It also reflected a home address, 110 West 86th Street, telephone number SCHuyler 4-9101.

At 110 West 86th Street, it was ascertained from the doorman under pretext that MAX PFEFFER had resided at that address for the past two and one half years and had previously resided in a hotel somewhere in the vicinity, the exact name not being available. He also has a daughter between 16 and 20 years of age and he is engaged in the business of a Literary Agent. No further information was available from this source and circumstances were such that further inquiries were not deemed advisable.

Inquiry was also made of [REDACTED] a source of information for the New York Field Division, who was unable to develop any information as to the background of MAX PFEFFER. b7c b7D

The Indices of the New York Field Division reflect that MAX PFEFFER, who was believed to be identical with the subject above, was Literary Agent for ALEKSY PELYPENKO, who had completed a book entitled "How I Trapped German Spies."

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This information is contained in New York file 65-247, report dated March 25, 1943, entitled "ANASTASE A. VONSEATSKY, with aliases; Espionage - G."

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This information was set forth in a letter to the Bureau dated April 21, 1943 in the case file of "ALEKSI PELYPENKO, Internal Security - G, New York File 100-7827." b7D

The Indices of the New York Field Division failed to develop anything further on MAX PFEFFER.

The Credit Bureau of Greater New York was also checked with negative results.

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RE: MILDRED PRICE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Francis J. Gallant:

Mrs. EDWARD DALEY, at 420 West 118th Street, superintendent at that building, advised that Mrs. HAROLD COY and her husband still reside at this address in apartment 33. It will be noted that Mrs. HAROLD COY is the married name of MILDRED PRICE.

Mr. DALEY also stated that he had not noticed any unusual circumstances as to these tenants with the exception that Mrs. COY had had several Chinese visitors who were apparently being entertained by Mrs. COY on several different occasions. Other than this, the COYS were considered very good tenants. He also advised that he believed Mrs. COY had just recently returned from the Far East about one month and a half ago, the exact place of Mrs. COY's visit he was unable to state. He also advised that Mrs. COY was connected with some Chinese relief organization but he was not certain as to the exact nature of her position.

A mail cover on MILDRED PRICE was somewhat unproductive with the exception of one communication bearing a return address of the Committee for North Carolina, 115 Church Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. (C) u

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This name was searched through the Indices of the New York Field Division with negative results. [REDACTED] (C) u b7E

At the New York Public Library, a review of News Letter, the organ of the China Aid Council for which MILDRED PRICE is Executive Director, revealed that she still held this position and had on November 25, 1946 returned from a six months visit in China where she had been busily engaged in the activities of the China Aid Council. This notice was contained in the December 1946 issue of the News Letter which is a monthly publication.

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This publication also contained another article on MILDRED PRICE stating that as part of her mission to China, she set up procedures for the council's various projects in China and was responsible for coordinating the work of the Council throughout China. In addition, Miss PRICE organized and expanded the Child Care projects of the United Service to China, of which the China Aid Council is a part and helped prepare the Child Welfare Conference which took place in Shanghai early in November.

This article also stated that Miss PRICE had met with Madame SUN YAT-SEN and other members of the China Welfare Fund in order to plan a long range program of medical assistance and training to the Chinese youth. In accomplishing this task, it was stated that Miss PRICE found it necessary to travel extensively through China visiting such centers as Canton, Peiping, Kalgan, Nanking, Chungking and other places. This issue stated that other additional accounts of Miss PRICE's experiences will follow in later issues of News Letter.

In the September issue of News Letter, it was noted that MILDRED PRICE had returned from one of her side trips to Shanghai, having returned from Peiping and Kalgan and she was next to go to Canton to visit Lingnan University. In Peiping, Miss PRICE organized a Child Care Committee and discussed with Dr. JOHN L. SMART, President of the Yen-Ching University and U.S. Ambassador to China, classes for Child Care classes at Yen-Ching University. Miss PRICE also on her tour through China visited the various international peace hospitals and branch hospitals in addition to the Bethune Medical College.

It was determined by a spot check surveillance that MILDRED PRICE was engaged in her work at the China Aid Council in Room 713, 1790 Broadway.

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~~RUTH RIFKIN~~

~~THE COMMITTEE FOR THE NATION'S HEALTH~~
1790 Broadway
New York City, New York

~~MICHAEL M. DAVIS~~
2 Franklin Avenue
White Plains, New York

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent L. MORRIS
BEST. The period of investigation is December 26 and 27, 1946, and January 6, 1947.

The office of origin by letter, dated November 6, 1946, requested available information of the above-mentioned organization. The letter pointed out that RUTH RIFKIN, a subject of instant case, has been in continued correspondence with the organization at 1790 Broadway. The office directory reflected for room #804, the following organizations and individual: Committee for Nation's Health, Committee on Research in Medical Economics, Inc., Medical Care, and Dr. MICHAEL M. DAVIS. The cross telephone directory for New York reflects that Dr. DAVIS and the Committee on Research in Medical Economics, Inc., have had telephone number Circle 7-0421 since December, 1940. The Committee for the Nation's Health has had this same telephone number, according to the directory, since January of 1946.

Special Agent WILLIAM O. McCUE ascertained from Confidential Informant [redacted] that the Committee for the Nation's Health, Inc., was founded in February of 1946, and that the directors of the organization are Dr. CHANNING FROTHINGHAM, 157 Bay State Road, Boston, Massachusetts, Dr. ERNST P. BOAS, 285 Central Park West, Morris Llewellyn Cooke, St. George Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, MICHAEL M. DAVIS, 2 Franklin Avenue, White Plains, New York, ABE PORTAS, 3025 N Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., MARY DUELIN REYSERLING, (2324 N. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., MARY WOODWARD LASKER, 29 Beekman Place, New York City, DOROTHY NORMAN, 124 E. 70th Street, New York, and ANNA M. ROSENBERG, 1136 5th Avenue, New York, New York. The name of HENRY ROTHSCHILD, 31 Nassau Street, New York City is mentioned in this report, but there is no indication as to whether he is a director. The possibility is this - that he is an attorney for the organization. u

Dr. CHANNING FROTHINGHAM is listed as chairman of the organization. There are listed numerous honorary vice-chairmen, all prominent persons. Their names are not being set out here. The treasurer is listed as CHARLES O. LANG, and executive director is listed as JOSEPH MOUTATH. The report of Confidential Informant [redacted] is the report dated July 1, 1946. u

The report of Confidential Informant [redacted] for the Committee on Research in Medical Economics, Inc., dated May 2, 1938, reflects that the organization at the time, was situated in room 1226, 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, and at the time, Dr. MICHAEL M. DAVIS was managing director. Persons contacted at room 1226 declined u

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to furnish information regarding the organization inasmuch as Dr. DAVIS is absent from the city. The report goes on to reflect that the committee is said to be supported by endowments from the Julius Rosenwald Fund of Chicago, Illinois, and that the organization is engaged in doing research work, and that printed pamphlets are sent to interested parties. Lastly, the report reflects that no inquiries have been made regarding the organization since the report of May 2, 1938.

With reference to "Medical Care," Confidential Informant [redacted] has no record; however, it will be seen in the subsequent portion of this report that "Medical Care" is a publication edited by MICHAEL M. DAVIS. u b2 b7D

Special Agent WILLIAM O. McCUE also ascertained information from a report of Confidential Informant [redacted] on the Medical Administration Service, Inc., Room 503, 1790 Broadway, New York, New York. This organization, according to the report, was chartered under New York State laws in February, 1941. On March 20 of the same year, MORTON A. BROWN, Secretary of the corporation, said it succeeded the Bureau of Cooperative Medicine, Inc., formerly of 58 W. 57th Street, which moved to 1790 Broadway in February, 1940. The director of activities of Medical Administration Service, Inc., is Dr. KINGSLEY ROBERTS, and the chairman of the board is listed as MICHAEL M. DAVIS. This corporation, according to the report, was developed to provide better health care for those unable to obtain it. It is reported to be operating on funds from the Rockefeller Foundation. b2 b7D

SEI WADE FULLER ascertained from the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, the following information. The report was dated October 5, 1937, and concerns MICHAEL M. DAVIS and his wife, JANET DAVIS, who at the time resided at 28 E. 10th Street, New York, New York. Former addresses are listed as 100 Ralph Avenue, White Plains, New York, Hotel Sheldon, New York City, and unknown addresses in Chicago, Illinois. His business is with the Committee on Medical Research, Inc., 9 Rockefeller Plaza. The report reflects that he is married, middle-aged, and living with his dependent wife. He has resided at 28 E. 10th Street, New York since October 1, 1937, under lease which runs to October, 1938. The report reflects that he is chairman of the Committee on Medical Research, Inc., 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City; that this organization was founded in January, 1937, and is endowed for five years by the Julius Rosenwald Fund of Chicago. Furthermore, the report reflects that the subject has been connected with the Julius Rosenwald Fund for a period of ten years as Director of Medical Services. Lastly, the report reflects that MICHAEL M. DAVIS and his wife, JANET DAVIS, have had a joint account since October, 1937, with the Chase National Bank, Rockefeller Plaza Branch. The telephone directory for Westchester County, New York, reflects that MICHAEL M. DAVIS resides at 2 Franklin Avenue, White Plains, New York, and his telephone number is Gladstone 2167.

Indices of the New York Field Division reflect a letter, dated October 28, 1944, from the Cleveland Field Office, which concerns MICHAEL M. DAVIS. According to this letter, Dr. ROBERT HOLSLER, 10515 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, telephonically advised that DAVIS, who is from New York City, is the editor of the publication, "Medical Care," and during the past six months has made two addresses at Western

Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. HOLSLER stated that ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ actually a doctor, although he has been introduced at the meetings as Dr. MICHAEL M. DAVIS. Dr. HOLSLER stated that Dr. DAVIS made comments favorable to the socialization of medicine, and that the Cleveland Academy of Medicine contemplated making a protest to the Western Reserve University for permitting DAVIS to address the University groups. Dr. HOLSLER further advised that he possesses no intimate knowledge of DAVIS's having made un-American or disloyal comments but he did state that he recently noticed an article in a Chicago newspaper which contained information concerning organizations declared by the Attorney General of the United States as being subversive or un-American. Dr. HOLSLER stated that Dr. DAVIS's name appeared in the list as being a member of one of these organizations. He added that DAVIS is an acquaintance of Dr. ~~GOLDEBLATT~~, Associate Professor of Pathology, Western Reserve University. This letter went on to reflect that an article appeared in the Cleveland Gazette, dated September 30, 1944, and it listed Dr. GOLDEBLATT as being a member of the Board of Directors of the Ohio School of Social Sciences, which school is sponsored by the Ohio Communist Political Association.

The report of Special Agent FLOYD L. JONES, dated December 18, 1945, at Washington, D. C., reflects that on December 13, 1945, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that one ANN FREED contacted Mrs. MAGDOFF, wife of HARRY S. MAGDOFF, a subject of instant case, and informed that she had attended a meeting of the American Social Workers and that Dr. MICHAEL DAVIS had spoken. The report of Special Agent FLOYD L. JONES, dated January 11, 1946, at Washington, D.C., reflects that on

The report of Special Agent LAMBERT G. ZANDER, dated March 15, 1946, at Washington, D. C., reflects that DAVIS was active in connection with the pending

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(House) Bills #1606 and 1313, along with Dr. ~~FRANZ ROAZ~~, DEAN PARK; and MARTHA ELLIOTT.

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The July 15, 1944, issue of the Daily Worker carried a story, date lined July 14, from Washington, D. C. It was entitled, "Leaders of Nation Listed on Roster of the Citizens PAC." Over eighty members of the full committee were listed in this publication. Among those, is the name of Dr. MICHAEL M. DAVIS, Editor, "Medical Care."

At 399 Madison Avenue, Mr. C. EVERTS MANGAN, Executive Secretary of the Medical Grievance Committee, Education Department of the State of New York, informed that he did not know MICHAEL M. DAVIS and neither had he heard of the Committee for the Nation's Health or the Committee of Research on Medical Economics, Inc. He stated that the records of his office reflect the names of all doctors in the states of New Jersey and New York and they failed to reflect the name of Dr. MICHAEL M. DAVIS. Mr. MANGAN telephonically contacted WALTER P. ANDERTON, M.D., Secretary of the State Medical Society, 292 Madison Avenue. Dr. ANDERTON informed that he was personally acquainted with MICHAEL M. DAVIS. He telephonically informed the writer that he has known DAVIS, who holds a Ph. D. degree, since 1917 when DAVIS was connected with the Dispensary Development Committee to Improve Dispensary Service in New York City. Dr. ANDERTON stated that prior to DAVIS's arrival in New York City, he was in Boston, Massachusetts, and at the time, was interested in the Dispensary Development Committee there. Dr. ANDERTON stated that he believed the Dispensary Development Committee was sponsored by the Rosenwald Foundation. He stated that he believes DAVIS is a graduate of Columbia University in New York City. He further stated that for the last two years, DAVIS had been interested in socialized medicine.

The investigation regarding MICHAEL M. DAVIS is being continued.

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RE: ALLEN R. ROSENBERG

The following investigation was predicated upon a telephone call received on January 18, 1947 at 7:30 P. M. from Special Agent L. G. ZANDER of the Washington Field Office, who advised this office that ALLEN R. ROSENBERG, a subject in instant case, had left Washington, D. C. at 7:00 P. M. for New York City. Agent ZANDER stated that ROSENBERG was under surveillance by Special Agent WILLIAM MARR of the Washington Field Office. Agent ZANDER further stated that ROSENBERG is the attorney for CARL MARZANI, the latter being under present indictment for perjury in connection with his past employment with the State Department wherein he failed to state his Communist Party affiliations. According to Agent ZANDER, MARZANI telephoned ROSENBERG and stated that he was worried and wanted to see ROSENBERG right away. Agent ZANDER stated that the Washington Field Office desired ROSENBERG to be surveilled upon his arrival in New York and determine his contacts and their identities.

At 11:43 P. M., Special Agents John J. Danahy and James E. Tierney of the New York Field Office met Special Agent WILLIAM MARR on his arrival with the subject at Pennsylvania Station, New York City and assumed surveillance of the subject, ROSENBERG. Thereafter, subject ROSENBERG travelled by subway to 86th Street and entered an apartment house at 110 West 86th Street, where the surveilling agents were informed that he had entered apartment 7D, registered in the name of one ROSENBERG.

Present investigation is being conducted by the New York Field Division to ascertain the identity of this person, ROSENBERG, the occupant of apartment 7D. Subject ALLEN ROSENBERG spent the night at the aforementioned apartment and on the morning of Sunday, January 19, 1947, emerged from the apartment building and proceeded to an address at 160 West 77th Street, where he entered apartment 7A. Discreet inquiry by Special Agents James P. Martin, William G. O'Donnell and Frank D. O'Brien, the surveilling agents, revealed that apartment 7A is occupied by NATHAN WITT, an attorney and Communist Party functionary in New York City.

At 4:55 P. M. on January 19, 1947, ROSENBERG left WITT's apartment and proceeded by taxicab to Pennsylvania Station where he boarded a Washington bound train and seated himself in car number 3469. The Washington Field Office was so advised by telephone on the same date by Supervisor L. Vernon Ewing of the New York Field Office. During the surveillance of ROSENBERG on the evening of January 18, 1947, immediately upon his arrival

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from Washington, it was noted by the surveilling agents that while still in Pennsylvania Station, the subject, ROSENBERG, made several unsuccessful efforts to contact a party at a telephone number UNiversity 4-5326. The telephone directories in New York City indicate that this number is registered in the name of CHARLES SIMS, 319 West 116th Street.

A review of the files of the New York Field Office indicates that a CHARLES SIMS was an alderman in the City of Toronto, Canada in 1944 and, at one time, inquired of WORLD TOURIST, INC., New York City, about sending clothing to the Soviet Union. The New York files further indicate that the aforementioned CHARLES SIMS, Toronto, Canada, was a member of the Canadian Communist Party on July 22, 1938. The New York files also indicate Confidential informant of the New York Field Office advised that on October 30, 1944, CHARLES SIMS was mentioned in a telephone conversation between SAM CARR and V. J. JEROME on October 30, 1944. At that time, JEROME stated that he had received a letter from CHARLES SIMS, who was writing an article for one "STANLEY", (ph.), and desired that JEROME forward this article to China. JEROME requested SAM CARR to advise SIMS that he was endeavoring to fulfill SIMS' wishes in this matter.

It is not known at the present time whether the CHARLES SIMS, resident at 319 West 116th Street, New York City, is identical with the aforementioned Canadian Communist Party functionary and present investigation is being conducted to ascertain the identity of the party whom ROSENBERG endeavored to contact.

The detailed surveillance logs of the aforementioned surveillance of ROSENBERG, conducted on January 18th and 19th, 1947, are being maintained in the files of the New York Field Office.

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Re: ALLAN ROSENBERG

The following information is being dictated by Special Agent
LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE:

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Division, dated November 11, 1946, requesting that the identity and background information be furnished regarding LEO HURWITZ, 15 East 12th Street, New York City.

A review of the files in the New York Field Division revealed that the file entitled: "LEO T. HURWITZ; SECURITY MATTER - C," New York office of origin, is identical with the LEO HURWITZ mentioned in referenced letter.

This file reflects that HURWITZ is employed as a writer and director in the Television Department for the Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., New York City and their file revealed the following information:

HURWITZ is well acquainted with Mr. KRASER, who is also employed by the Columbia Broadcasting System. HURWITZ indicated that he is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Fraternity, and is also a member of the Writers Congress. HURWITZ listed his former employment as follows:

Vanguard Films, Inc., Culver City, California, January 1944 to March 1944.

Pendleton, Dudley & Associates, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York City, from August 1943 to December 1943.

Office of War Information, 35 West 45th Street, New York City, under the direct supervision of JOSEPH KRUMGOLD from January 1943 to August 1943.

The Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, 44 Madison Avenue, New York City, under SHELDON BICK, from November 1943 to January 1943.

Film Associates, 630 Fifth Avenue, under JOSEPH KRUMGOLD from November 1943 to January 1943.

Frontier Films, Inc., 103 West 40th Street, New York City, from May 1937 to October 1942.

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Regarding HURWITZ's education he stated that he graduated from Harvard University in 1930 where he majored in psychology and philosophy obtaining a degree of Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude. HURWITZ gave the following individuals as references:

Paul Strand, 134 West 4th Street, New York City, engaged in the film industry.

~~ROBBIN FIELD~~, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, Professor of Art.

~~WILLIAM GILLET~~T, 1600 Broadway, New York City, Pre-View Theater.

Lt. ~~EDWARD LANHALT~~, Army Air Forces, Film Industry, Culver City, California.

~~IRVING LERNER~~, 35 West 45th Street, New York City, film producer.

This file further reflects that the subject resides at 15 East 12th Street, New York City and that he formerly resided at 465 Second Avenue and at 119 East 17th Street, New York City.



HURWITZ is described as follows:

Date of birth	June 23, 1909
Place of birth	Brooklyn, New York
Race	White
Height	5'8"
Weight	160 lbs.
Eyes	Grey
Hair	Black
Complexion	Dark
Marital Status	Married, wife JANE DUDLEY HURWITZ .

It is to be noted that HURWITZ and his wife are members of the Communist Party in New York City.



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Reference is also made to the letter from the Washington Field Office, dated November 11, 1946 requesting that the identity and background information be furnished regarding VARIAN FRY of the Foreign Policy Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City, who was confidentially reported to have been listed in the personal address book of ALLAN ROSENBERG.

The files of the New York Field Division were examined and in the file entitled: "VARIAN MacKAY FRY was. Varian Mackey Fry, and Varian Fry; SECURITY MATTER - C," with New York as office of origin, it was reported that the Bureau's files had been reviewed at the request of the Visa Division of the State Department for information concerning various left wing individuals whose names have appeared frequently in connection with visa and exit control matter. In this connection the name of VARIAN FRY was listed as a member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Unemployed College Alumni and Professional People. The Bureau advised that in May 1937, FRY was Publicity Director for the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy and although he was not a Communist Party member he was friendly to the Communist Party and had been appointed with their approval.

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This file further reflected that FRY had been in correspondence with MAX DIAMOND, Cafe Restaurant Continental, Dolores 11, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. It was further noted in this file that FRY was at one time associated with the "Living Age," 63 Park Row, New York City and in 1940 he went to France to head the Centre American de Secours.

In a letter to Mr. JAUNE MIRAVITLLES, Reforma 237 IIB, Mexico, D. F., FRY indicated that the compatriots are bitter and they feel that Washington treats them like dirt and is friendly to Spanish and Italian Fascists. He further stated that the atmosphere here is such that "I fear there is a question whether a person with your record of uncompromising hostility to fascism and uncompromising support of democracy would be very happy here."

This file reflects that FRY was the author of a number of books which were published under the auspices of the Foreign Policy Association in New York City.

On several occasions FRY denounced the State Department and on one particular occasion he stated that they were following a "stupid policy" in controlling visas in which he said he knew of at least one instance in which Washington's red tape had caused a refugee his head.

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FRY graduated from Harvard University in 1930 and he indicated that his wife is engaged in business at 45 East 49th Street, New York, New York.

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FRY is described as follows:

Date of birth	October 15, 1907
Place of birth	New York City
Race	White
Height	5'10"
Weight	164 lbs.
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Black
Complexion	Ruddy
Peculiarities	Always wears glasses
Marital Status	Married (separated), wife EILEEN HUGHES FRY
Occupation	Social worker, writer and editor.



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The Manhattan telephone directory listed VARIAN FRY of the Cinemart, Inc., 9 East 46th Street, New York City and further indicated that his home address is 45 East 49th Street, New York City. It is further noted that his wife EILEEN FRY has a business telephone at 8 West 40th Street and resides at 56 Irving Place, New York City.

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PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JOSEPH E. CONDON and FRANCIS GALLANT.

The above subject was personally interviewed by Special Agent JOSEPH E. CONDON at his home on Amenia-Union Road, Amenia, New York. [This interview was conducted by Agent CONDON in connection with an applicant investigation for the Central Intelligence group relative to ANTHONY B. LEWIS.] (S-1)(X)u

During this interview, RHODES stated that he first met the applicant in February, 1945, at Algiers, North Africa, where he was employed as chief of the monitoring section for Allied Headquarters. According to RHODES, he was a civilian employee and his position consisted of supervising the monitoring of Axis propaganda broadcasts from Berlin and Rome.

In connection with this work, there was need for a translator, and the Central Intelligence Group applicant, LEWIS, was assigned as an Arabic translator. RHODES, stated however, that he did not become well acquainted with the applicant and was unable to furnish information of any value pertaining to his background.

During the interview of RHODES a discreet effort was made to obtain information by indirection which might be of value concerning subject's present activities. It was ascertained that RHODES was presently residing with his wife and three children at Amenia, New York, during which time he is writing a novel for the Dodd-Meade Publishing Company of New York City.

RHODES was reluctant to reveal any information concerning the type of novel which was being written by him but did state that he was obtaining an advanced royalty from this publisher while in the process of writing this novel.

A mail cover on RHODES at Amenia, New York produced a return address on one ROBINSON, 35 West 87th Street, New York City and also the return address of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, 1295 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts (u) X

As to the above return address concerning ROBINSON, it has been ascertained that one ARTHUR ROBINSON, a physician, resides at 35 West 87th Street and has telephone number Endicott 2-8648 and has had this telephone service since December, 1945. In the American Medical Directory it was reflected that a Dr. ARTHUR ROBINSON of New York City was born in 1914 and is a graduate of Rush Medical College in Illinois, having graduated in 1938, and was licensed to practice in New York City in 1939.

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ROBINSON is also a member of the United States Army Medical Corps Reserve and in 1942 had an address of 80 East 96th Street, New York City.

The indices of the New York Office failed to reflect any information pertaining to Dr. ARTHUR ROBINSON at either of the above addresses.

The Postmaster at Amenia, New York advised that on January 6, 1947 he was notified by the subject, RHODES, that he was leaving Amenia and moving back to his address at 40 Monroe Street, New York City, Apartment 4-R-8 and would reside at this address for the next three months.

A pretext telephone call verified this information at this address, however, no information was ascertained as to the exact time RHODES would stay at the 40 Monroe Street address.

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Re: HELEN TENNEY

All pertinent information concerning the above named subject obtained by this office during the period of instant report is set out under the caption of Confidential Informant Gregory.

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Re: ABRAHAM BENEDICT ~~WEINSTEIN~~

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent DONALD E. SHANNON and includes the period from December 9, 1946 to January 20, 1947:

The following information concerning THEODORE BAUMGOLD, a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN, was obtained from the records of Columbia University:

According to the records at Columbia, THEODORE BAUMGOLD was born December 25, 1913 at Brooklyn, New York. He attended Columbia Grammar School, in New York City, from 1927 to 1930 and Cornell University from 1930 to 1932. During 1933 and 1934, he attended the Undergraduate School of Columbia University and in 1935 he received a B. S. Degree from this University.

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MISS HELEN CLAYMAN, Agent for the building at 430 East 86th Street, New York City, who is employed by the Trio Management Corporation, 2054 Broadway, New York, New York, was recontacted with regard to information concerning THEODORE BAUMGOLD. She advised that she has heard nothing further from THEODORE BAUMGOLD, who formerly resided at 430 East 86th Street. She likewise advised that she had no word of LYDIA BAUMGOLD, former wife of THEODORE. She volunteered the further information that LYDIA BAUMGOLD at one time was in show business and that she was very bitter towards THEODORE. She stated that she would hear from LYDIA in the very near future, at which time she would advise this office of the present address and location of LYDIA.

The following information concerning the activities and contacts made by DR. WEINSTEIN and his associates at his office, at 20 East 53rd Street, New York City, was supplied by Confidential Informant [REDACTED] who is in a position to supply such information: (S) (u) b2 b7D

On December 12, 1946, the office of DR. WEINSTEIN was attempting to contact MR. GREGORY BAUTZEN, the Hollywood attorney who was a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN. It should be noted that very recently GREGORY BAUTZEN's picture appeared in New York newspapers together with JOAN CRAWFORD, the Hollywood actress. From time to time, GREGORY BAUTZEN has been reported by the news columnists as the soon-to-be husband of JOAN CRAWFORD. (S) (u)

On December 13, 1946, DR. WEINSTEIN received a telegram from his brother, MORRIS, who at that time was in Los Angeles, California. MORRIS advised DR. ABE WEINSTEIN that he was leaving California on that day and that he would be in New York the following Monday. (S) (u)

On December 17, 1946, this informant advised that JOSEPH ELSON was at the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and while at the office he contacted his wife, RAY ELSON, who at that time was at her place of employment, the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties. RAY ELSON is a subject of the instant investigation and has been known to be in contact with DR. WEINSTEIN on several occasions. (S) (u)

On December 23, 1946, JOSEPH ELSON again contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and made a dental appointment for the following January 7, 1947 at 9:30 a.m. (S) (u)

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On December 24, 1946, BEN MARDEN, formerly the owner of BEN MARDEN's Riviera, a night club located on the Jersey side of the Hudson River, in the New York area, and a known figure in the entertainment world, contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and advised that he was sending up to DR. WEINSTEIN's office ten five-pound boxes of candy. He made an appointment to contact DR. WEINSTEIN on the following Friday at his home. In the conversation that took place between BEN MARDEN and DR. WEINSTEIN on December 24, 1946, WEINSTEIN stated that his meeting of MARDEN was the best thing that happened to him in 1946. (S) (u)

This informant advised that on December 24, 1946, DR. WEINSTEIN sent the following day letter, via Western Union Telegraph Company, to DR. WILLIAM V. GOODLEY, 1680 North Vine Street, Hollywood 28, California, telephone Hollywood 6443: "Frank Sinatra may call you for replacement of jacket on upper right bicuspid. Would greatly appreciate you making immediate time for him. We mailed him a porcelain jacket also an acrylic jacket. If you have any trouble with porcelain, it will be all right to insert acrylic as he is coming to us in January for balance and check-up." Signed, "DR. MORRIS WEINSTEIN" (S) (u)

On December 27, 1946, MOSES FINKLESTEIN, a director in the American-Russian Institute, 58 Park Avenue, New York, New York, contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and advised an employee at the office that they should hold up the checks that he had given to DR. WEINSTEIN until he had an opportunity to make a deposit in his checking account. (S) (u)

On December 31, 1946, HERBERT MAY, the Pittsburgh industrialist who is a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN's, was in contact with DR. WEINSTEIN's office and advised he was staying at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel and that he would see DR. WEINSTEIN on that day at 2:30 p.m. (S) (u)

On January 2, 1947, MOSES FINKLESTEIN was again in touch with the office of DR. WEINSTEIN. He made an appointment to see the doctor on that date at 4:00 p.m. He spoke with BETTY HART, secretary of DR. WEINSTEIN, on this occasion and advised her that he wanted to see the doctor about something that she didn't know about and that she would be unable to help him in this regard. (S) (u)

On January 15, 1947, JOSEPH ELSON, husband of RAY ELSON, previously mentioned, contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and verified an appointment that he (S) (u)

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had with the doctor at 9:15 on that date. (S) (u)

On January 10, 1947, BETTY HART contacted BARNEY JOSEPHSON, a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN, who is the owner of Cafe Society Downtown. At the time, BARNEY JOSEPHSON was in the company of MORRIS WEINSTEIN, brother of ABE, and arrangements were made to have MORRIS WEINSTEIN meet his brother, ABRAHAM, at 6:00 p.m. on that day. (S) (u)

On January 20, 1947, HAZEL SCOTT, the negro singer, who was formerly employed at Cafe Society Downtown, was at the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and while there she contacted her husband, ADAM CLAYTON POWELL. The conversation that took place between HAZEL SCOTT and ADAM CLAYTON POWELL was purely a social conversation. (S) (u)

The following information regarding the contacts and activities of DR. WEINSTEIN and his family at their home in Stamford, Connecticut, was obtained through the assistance of Confidential Informant [REDACTED], who is in a position to supply such information. (S) (u) b2 b7D

On December 9, 1946, JOSEPH ROBERTS, chief functionary in the Communist Party in the State of Connecticut, contacted the home of DR. WEINSTEIN. (S) (u)

On December 12, 1946, LENORA WEINSTEIN, wife of DR. WEINSTEIN, contacted DR. HAROLD AARON. DR. HAROLD AARON is the subject of an Internal Security - C investigation and is a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN. The conversation that took place between LENORA WEINSTEIN and DR. AARON was mainly about symptoms and treatments for a cold that LENORA WEINSTEIN had at that time. (S) (u)

On December 12, 1946, an individual by the name of ROY LEIB, who stated he was from Hartford, Connecticut, was in contact with DR. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN. In this conversation, ROY LEIB stated he was joining an organization in Ohio and wanted some professional attention. The exact contents of this conversation are herewith set forth: (S) (u)

ROY LEIB: Hello.

DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN: Hello.

L: How are you, Doc?

W: Who is this?

L: This is ROY LEIB, in Hartford. Does the name mean anything to you?

W: It sounds like a wonderful name.

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L: I'm a friend of MIKE RUSSO's.

W: Oh yeah?

L: And some other friends of yours.

W: OK, OK, you don't need any more friends than that.

L: Well, I'm going to join your Ohio gang pretty soon, and one of them suggested I come in to see you on some professional attention, if it was possible.

W: You are going out there?

L: That's right.

W: Swell, that's wonderful.

L: I'm going to be in New York Saturday. I wonder if you'd have a spare half hour?

W: Why, I'd be delighted.

L: What time?

W: Well, tell me when.

L: Well, late in the morning, if you have the time.

W: About noon?

L: About noon.

W: ROY LEIB, huh?

L: That's right.

W: How do you spell it?

L: L E I B.

W: When are you going out there?

L: First of January.

W: Whom did you speak to out there? ARNOLD?

L: GUS, ARNOLD (possibly DONALD), ANDY...

W: All my friends.

L: All your friends.

W: You're going to all right guys, the best guys in the United States.

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L: That's right. Did you fix up GUS when he was here?
W: No, I saw him, but I wasn't able to, but I will when he comes on the next trip.

L: He said you X-rayed him thoroughly last time, going to get a treatment this time.
W: No, he didn't have the time. Well, I certainly will be glad to have a look at you, and I think you couldn't have made a better choice.

L: OK.
W: They are really the swelldest guys. You know you may know a lot of people, but those are the best guys around.

L: Good. OK.
W: So, I'm glad you called me, and I'll certainly be glad to see you at... Do you know where to go?

L: You're at 20 53d, or something.
W: Right. So I'll see you on Saturday at noon.

L: Right
W: OK, good bye.

L: Good bye.

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The individuals referred to as ARNOLD, GUS and ANDY in this conversation are in all probability ARNOLD JOHNSON, District Organizer for the Communist Party in the State of Ohio, GUS HALL, who is a functionary in the Communist Party in the State of Ohio, and ANDREW ONDA, who is a functionary in the Communist Party in the State of Ohio and who at present is engaged in organizing in Youngstown, Ohio. ANDREW ONDA has been in contact with DR. WEINSTEIN on several occasions. ANDREW ONDA and his wife have spent time at the home of DR. WEINSTEIN, at Stamford, Connecticut. ONDA was formerly the chief functionary in the Communist Party in the State of Connecticut. He moved to Ohio a little over a year ago. MIKE RUSSO, mentioned in this conversation, is a functionary in the Communist Party in the State of Connecticut. [initials] (e)w

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On December 17, 1946, LENORA WEINSTEIN was in touch with MIDGE CHODEROV RADOM. She is a director in the American Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, a leading Communist front organization in the United States. (u) (c)

On December 18, 1946, ANNE REVERE, the Hollywood actress, was in touch with LENORA WEINSTEIN. It was ascertained at that time that ANNE REVERE and her husband expected to be guests at the WEINSTEIN home on December 19, 1946. (u) (c)

On December 21, 1946, in a conversation that took place between MIDGE CHODEROV RADOM and LENORA WEINSTEIN, MIDGE stated that Governor TALMADGE, Governor of Georgia, had died and LENORA stated she was very happy about it. MIDGE stated that it is just a drop in the bucket but at least it is a step in the right direction. (u) (c)

On December 22, 1946, ZERO MOSTEL, the actor, who was the subject of an Internal Security - C investigation, contacted DR. WEINSTEIN and advised him that he was the father of a baby boy. LENORA WEINSTEIN also spoke to ZERO MOSTEL and they discussed an article that appeared in the Daily Worker. (u) (c)

On December 25, 1946, LENORA WEINSTEIN sent the following telegram via Western Union to RUTH, NICKY and ARTHUR CONTE, 1366 San Ysidro, Beverly Hills, California: "Peace on earth, good will to men. We are for that the year round, so Merry Christmas." Signed, "Willie Weinstein and family". NICKY CONTE is the Hollywood actor with whom DR. WEINSTEIN visited in Canada in the summer of 1946 at the time they were filming the picture "13 Rue Madeleine". This same telegram, with the exact wording, was sent to BEN MARDEN at his home in Nanuet, New York. (u) (c)

On December 27, 1946, MORRIS WEINSTEIN, brother of DR. WEINSTEIN, was in touch with LEON JOSEPHSON, brother of BARNEY JOSEPHSON and subject of an Internal Security - R investigation. They discussed the idea of a play that LEON had. LEON's plot is, in effect, a miner or steel worker becomes interested in politics when he is elected to a small role in a local union. This prompts him to study and surge forward as a labor leader. His sincere belief in the cause enables him and his family to withstand all sorts of trials and tribulations, including a long strike. He has two daughters. One marries the son of a capitalist but when he deserts her she comes home disillusioned. (u) (c)

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to her father's protection. The other marries a working man and they establish a model home. This brings out the contrast between capitalism and labor. MORRIS thinks this is a good idea and invites LEON over to WEINSTEIN's to work on the play. ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

On December 28, 1946, in the conversation that took place between LENORA WEINSTEIN and MIDGE CHODEROV RADOM, LENORA stated that there seemed to be a campaign against ZERO MOSTEL. LENORA wondered if it was because ZERO is known as a Left Winger. ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

On December 28, 1946, BEN MARDEN, previously mentioned, was in contact with DR. ABE WEINSTEIN. BEN MARDEN stated that the show opened last night and that BROOKS ATKINSON gave it a very good review. It also received good notices from FANNIE HURST. No mention of the show referred to was made. BEN MARDEN stated that he would try to see ABE on the following Thursday and that right after that he is going to Chicago and from there to Florida, where he would remain for a good part of the winter. ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

On December 30, 1946, ROSE GRUSKIN, an employee in the office of DR. WEINSTEIN, was in contact with DR. WEINSTEIN and a business discussion took place. ROSE stated she was going to make a "thirteen deposit on the second". A slight argument then ensued about money and ABE reprimanded ROSE about changing her mind regarding a certain financial item. ABE stated that he wants her to check more closely on the transactions and take it more on her own hands since he doesn't want anything like the "Grant" affair to happen again. A long involved conversation ensued about the office policy in collecting overdue bills and authoritative rights. ABE mentioned that he had over \$40,000.00 in checks as of the end of this year. He stated that he needs one hundred and fifty people in a year to make his living. ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

On December 30, 1946, DR. WEINSTEIN received the following telegram from HERBERT A. MAY: "I was unexpectedly delayed in Pittsburgh and will not arrive in New York City until sometime before New Year's Eve. Will call you in Stamford. Sorry to miss you today but a number of complicated problems presented themselves and detained me here. Hope you and your family had a very happy holiday." Signed, "HERBERT A. MAY". ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

On January 2, 1947, MR. JAMES (phonetic) contacted LENORA WEINSTEIN and stated that the WEINSTEIN's loan of \$13,500.00 will have \$300.00 interest. ~~MSX~~ (C) (u)

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charges. JAMES commented that the payment of \$1500.00 will bring the loan down to \$12,000.00. ~~MB~~ (S) (u)

The following information was obtained from a mail cover maintained on the office of DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN, at 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York: (S) (u)

A letter postmarked January 5, 1947, with the return address 58 Park Avenue, New York, New York, was received at the office of DR. WEINSTEIN, addressed to DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN. 58 Park Avenue is the known address of the American-Russian Institute, New York City. ~~MB~~ (S) (u)

A letter was received, addressed to DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN, postmarked New York, New York, January 13, 1947, from HENRY WRIGHT, Elroy Webber Associates, 270 Madison Avenue, New York, New York. ELROY WEBBER is a known contact of DR. WEINSTEIN. ~~MB~~ (S) (u)

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